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BY IAN READ

TOWER Hamlets has joined a select group of boroughs whose secondary schools have all been rated as good or outstanding by Ofsted.

Last week the education watchdog announced that St Paul's Way Trust School had been declared 'outstanding'.

It came just days after the performance of two other schools – Bow and George Green's – had elevated them into the 'good' category following inspections last term. All three had previously been judged 'satisfactory' and their success means that all 18 council-run secondary and special schools are 'good' or 'outstanding'.

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George Green's: pupils are confident and proud of their school.

St Paul's Way: teachers motivate students to achieve their best.

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Very few local authorities are in this position. The latest Ofsted figures, relating to August last year, showed just nine of the 150 local authority areas in England had a 100 per cent record.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman hailed the fact that Tower Hamlets could now be counted as part of this prestigious group.

He said: "Education is one of my top priorities and we have invested a great deal in our schools in the past few years to make them among the best, so I'm delighted that they are now officially recognised among the very best in the country by Ofsted."

Cllr Oliur Rahman, cabinet member for children, schools and families, said: "An awful lot of hard work and effort from a great many people has gone into transforming some of our schools. We can all be proud that Tower Hamlets is now a beacon of quality for education."

Kenny Fredericks, principal at George Green's School on the Isle of Dogs, was delighted at the borough-wide achievements, as well as that of her own school.

She said: "I am so pleased that all the secondary schools in Tower Hamlets are judged to be good or better."

"We work in a brilliant local authority which has provided tremendous support for schools and has brokered the exchange of good practice and facilitated collaboration at all levels."

"We all want to do well, but not at the expense of the school



Staff and pupils at Bow School after their 'good' inspection

down the road. Tower Hamlets is an amazing place to work and learn. We should all be very proud."

This idea of schools working together was also highlighted by Grahame Price, head teacher at St Paul's Way Trust School in Bow. In a memorable week for the school, it was declared outstanding by Ofsted just four days after welcoming the Duke of York for a visit.

Mr Price said: "St Paul's Way Trust School is very proud to be one of the Tower Hamlets family of schools."

"We know that one of the key

reasons we are an outstanding school is because we work with other local schools, developing exciting learning opportunities to help all of the children in the borough to succeed."

Bow School head teacher Cath Smith said: "The students and staff of our school have worked hard to achieve such success, but have been supported by the local authority which has provided valuable and effective support."

"It is great to be part of a community which makes such a difference to the lives of our young people."

We all want to do well but not at the expense of the school down the road. Tower Hamlets is an amazing place to work and learn."

Kenny Fredericks, principal, George Green's School

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ONE OUT OF TEN
The latest Ofsted figures show that 18 out of 19 secondary schools in Tower Hamlets are judged to be 'good' or 'outstanding'.

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Protecting your child from measles

"I would encourage all residents to ensure they support the campaign to prevent any outbreaks by ensuring their children have had two doses of the MMR vaccine."

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THE Duke of Gloucester toured St John on Bethnal Green Church last Wednesday, April 24 to see how grant money is helping to preserve the landmark building. Since 2005, St John on Bethnal Green has received funding of £54,000 from the National Churches Trust for roof and tower repairs, and re-wiring. The grade I listed building was designed by the Georgian architect Sir John Soane and consecrated in 1828. Rector Alan Green showed the duke around with Claire Walker, chief executive of the National Churches Trust. "We were honoured by the Duke of Gloucester's visit to three east London churches we have funded and were able to show him how our support is helping to secure their future." The duke also visited churches in Hackney and Plaistow.



The Duke of Gloucester, Rector Alan Green, Michael Elks from law firm RadcliffesLeBrasseur and Jennie Page, trustee with National Churches Trust, at St John on Bethnal Green

News in brief

Gay memories

A COCKNEY heritage festival this July will include a session on gay life in the East End in the mid-20th century.

Organisers are inviting anyone with memories they would like to share to get in touch.

Do you remember the acts at the Aberdeen Pub in Globe Road, or Ray Martine? Do you know about the characters Diamond Lil and her partner Maisie? Or can you recall the men who gathered at a pub in Victoria Park Road on Sunday evenings dressed to the nines and affectionately called Nancy Boys?

Email linda@lindawilkinson.org in confidence or leave a message on 07725 195150.

Free taster days for work skills courses

THE Map Squad, which works with adults with learning disabilities, has launched a new programme of work skills courses.

And the community organisation is also running free drop-in taster workshops every day, beginning this Monday, April 29, at the Montefiore Centre in Hanbury Street, Whitechapel.

Residents are invited to pop in for coffee and cake, and try sessions including building a digital CV, drama and street dance, filming and more. There will also be a chance to book a place on the courses, which start in May.

Call 7247 3030 or email office@mapsquad.org



T.H.E. Community Power aims to save residents money

Save £122 a year on your bills

RESIDENTS signed up to the borough's energy co-operative could save an average of £122 on their annual energy bills, following negotiations with some of the UK's biggest energy companies.

Launched last year, T.H.E. Community Power has since joined forces with 20 other London boroughs to form the Big London Energy Switch – a capital-wide scheme that uses bulk buying power to bring cheaper energy rates to anyone signed up.

So far 26,000 households across London have signed up, including more than 2,000 in Tower Hamlets.

Last month, the scheme launched an 'auction', enabling

energy companies to put forward their cheapest tariffs. Following the auction, the best rates – which show that households are expected to save an average of £122 a year – were selected.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "This is a great scheme to help residents save money and anyone can sign up; it's not means tested or based on your household income. The more households that sign up, the cheaper the rates for everyone."

The T.H.E. Community Power team is available to answer any queries on freephone 0800 508 8364. It's also not too late to register your interest, with no obligation – call 0800 508 8364 or go to www.biglondonenergyswitch.org.uk/

Did your child miss MMR jabs?

Parents urged to help prevent further spread of measles

BY MEHREEN HUSSAIN

PARENTS are being urged to have their children vaccinated following the outbreak of measles in south Wales.

Public Health England is encouraging children, particularly those aged between ten and 16 who may have missed their routine vaccination, to have two doses of the MMR vaccine.

The two doses will help prevent any further outbreaks across the country and protect children from the potentially serious implications of measles.

Fortunately, due to good collaborative working in Tower Hamlets, the uptake of the MMR vaccinations for under-fives in the borough is currently the highest in London, at 93.6 per cent.

But there are still concerns that children in the older age

groups of 10 to 16 may not have received the two MMR injections and would therefore not be protected from measles.

Tower Hamlets Public Health is contacting schools and GPs to ensure information is available to parents.

Somen Banerjee, director of Tower Hamlets Public Health, said the MMR vaccine was very safe and had been highly effective at reducing the number of infections in England.

"Parents who are unsure or believe their child has not had two doses of MMR, whatever their age, should contact their GP surgery and make an appointment as soon as possible. It is never too late to get vaccinated," he said.

Cllr Abdul Asad, cabinet member for health & wellbeing, added: "We are contacting schools and GPs to ensure residents are aware of the

importance of the MMR vaccine and hope parents will get in touch with their GPs."

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Consultation on proposed legislation about local authority publicity ends on May 6. You can have your say.

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Dragon had its fire put out

Saint George was born in the 3rd century AD in Cappadocia, an area which is now in Turkey. Very little is known about his life, but legend has it he slayed a dragon.

News

Council to carry out a review of East End Life

THE council is to conduct a review of East End Life before deciding on the future of the publication.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman called for the review following a decision at the budget meeting of the council on March 7 to cut funding from the budget used to fund the paper by £1.2 million.

Following the meeting, the Mayor has asked officers to provide advice on the budget resolution and its implications for the council, residents and staff.

They have advised that the cost of placing statutory advertising in other publications would not be cheaper and various contractual obligations would need to be taken into account.

Officers advised the Mayor the decision would lead to staff reductions and consultation with staff and trade unions was required, in line with council policies.

A council spokeswoman said: "The Mayor has decided to conduct a review into East End Life.

"It will consider options, undertake an equalities impact assessment on the options, consider financial and contractual implications, consult with staff and unions, consider alternative procurement arrangements and consider the impact of any changes on the council's duty to promote social cohesion."

The review is expected to take nine to 12 months.

In the meantime, the Mayor has allocated £433,000 from reserves to maintain East End Life, pending the outcome of the review, which will take into account the views of residents and local organisations.

A review of the paper was carried out in 2011 following the publication of the government's Code of Recommended Practice

on Local Authority Publicity that March. This included a consultation with more than 600 responses, a review of practice in other local authorities and alternative methods of reaching the borough's residents, a cost-benefit analysis to ascertain the cost associated with getting information across to residents using other means and external legal advice from counsel.

Of the 624 consultation responses received, 72 per cent of respondents felt positively about East End Life.

More than half (53 per cent) of respondents wanted to see it continue as a weekly publication with 13 per cent wishing to see it abolished.

The review also found other local papers had limited distribution in the borough and the cost of using alternative sources would cost the taxpayer more.

Government consults on publicity code

THE Local Government Secretary has announced his intention to strengthen the government's Code of Recommended Practice on Local Authority Publicity, making it law rather than just guidelines.

Eric Pickles said he wants to legislate the publicity rules "in order to preserve a strong, vibrant and independent local press".

He said he was concerned about local authorities who continued to publish regularly.

The guidelines advise councils should only publish quarterly – at the moment Tower Hamlets and Greenwich publish weekly papers, Hackney, Waltham Forest and Newham publish fortnightly, and a handful of others publish monthly.

The code contained seven key principles including issues such as lawfulness, equality and

diversity, cost effectiveness and objectivity.

The review of East End Life in 2011 recommended departing from paragraph 28 of the code (to publish no more than quarterly) because it would compromise the ability to comply with the code's seven core principles.

Consultation on the proposed legislation, ends on Monday, May 6. Anyone can give their views at www.gov.uk/government/consultations/protecting-the-independent-press-from-unfair-competition

You can also write to Mark Coram, Publicity Code Consultation, Council Conduct and Constitutions Team, Department for Communities and Local Government, 3/11 Eland House, Bressenden Place, London, SW1E 5DU or by email mark.coram@communities.gsi.gov.uk



Three friends enjoy a joke at the V&A Museum of Childhood



Indoor activities at the museum were fun too



A game of quoits

Saint

BY SHALINA HUSSAIN
PHOTOS BY REHAN JAMIL
& KOIS MIAH

HUNDREDS of residents joined in St George's Day festivities to pay tribute to the patron saint of England.

The council joined up with the V&A Museum of Childhood in Bethnal Green to host



■ ST George-in-the-East church in Shadwell hosted a mini garden party to mark St George's Day on April 23. There were stalls, entertainment, bell ringing and a festival service.

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By George! He get's around

Saint George is patron saint of England, Aragon, Catalonia, Georgia, Lithuania, Palestine, Portugal, Germany and Greece; and of Moscow, Istanbul, Genoa and Venice (second to Saint Mark).



Bolt as brass

A Bolton brass band joined in the St George's Day fun in Shadwell.

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Children enjoy the Punch and Judy show

George's fun in the sun

a day of traditional English games and entertainment, on Saturday, April 20.

Good weather helped boost numbers at the museum in Cambridge Heath Road, which recreated traditional past-times including folk dancing and a Punch and Judy show.

Attractions on offer included live music by the Becontree Brass Band, English country dancing with the Muckers, craft workshops and delicious cakes courtesy of the East End Women's Institute.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "It is important to mark St George's Day as it enables residents to engage with the games and entertainment which are part of England's heritage, and celebrate this unique highlight of the country's cultural calendar.

"The community day was a great day out for the whole family."

Over at the Brady Arts Centre in Whitechapel, older residents enjoyed a traditional knees-up with a tea dance on St George's Day itself, April 23.

The tea dance featured live music from The Sunshine Kings, who played hits from the 1930s and 1940s, plus modern-day tunes.



Dancing to The Sunshine Kings at the Brady Arts Centre

Cllr Rania Khan, cabinet member for culture, added: "Our tea dance is always well attended and this year was no exception. It is a lovely event where older people can get together and socialise."

One resident who went along said: "Excellent – just keep it going for the next 50 years please."

And another said: "It's always very good. Every year, I look forward to coming."



Becontree Brass Band entertained the visitors

News in brief

Fund-raising event

BUSINESS people are invited to a networking reception hosted by the Mayor at the Town Hall to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Bethnal Green Tube disaster.

Stairway to Heaven Memorial Trust, which is fund-raising to complete a memorial to the victims of the disaster, and Mayor Lutfur Rahman are holding the event on Monday, April 29 at 6pm.

Guests will be able to hear about regeneration plans for the site of the old Royal London Hospital building and the surrounding Whitechapel area.

Cost of entry is a suggested donation of at least £10 on the door, which will go to the trust.

Places are limited. To attend, call 01474 702513 or email Sandra.s6@btinternet.com by this Thursday, April 25.

Free film course

A FILM school is running a free training project for 20 adults to learn about film making and have their work screened at public events in Tower Hamlets, Hackney, and Newham.

The Inna Vision Film School project will tackle negative perceptions of mental illness.

It wants to recruit ten people from African and Caribbean backgrounds who have experienced mental health problems. The other ten participants will have no experience of mental health problems and be from a range of communities.

Email innavisionfilm.school@gmail.com or call 7682 1454 by May 2.

Cash for cycling

BUSINESSES may be eligible for funding from Transport for London to encourage employees to start cycling.

TfL offers companies up to £9,000 of funding credits through its Superhighways Workplace scheme to promote cycling for commuter and business trips.

To be eligible for funding, businesses must have a minimum of 50 employees on site, which could include a number of smaller businesses in the same building and be less than 1.5 km from existing and new Barclays Cycle Superhighway routes.

To apply, complete the registration form online at www.tfl.gov.uk/cyclingworkplaces

Train as an adviser

UNEMPLOYED residents are being given an opportunity to train as advice workers.

Island Advice Centre on the Isle of Dogs is running the 12-month scheme, which involves attending a course one day a week and a work placement on one day a week.

The training covers policies, principles of advice work and welfare benefits, as well as immigration, employment and debt advice.

The application deadline is May 1. For further information or an application pack email jo.ellis@island-advice.org.uk



NHS Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group invites members of the public to attend their Governing Body meeting.

The meeting will be held on:

**Tuesday 7 May 2013
2.30pm to 5.30pm**

Room 5a and 5b, Education Centre,
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If you would like to ask a question at the meeting or would like more information please contact us on 020 8223 8089 or email:

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The agenda and papers for the meeting will be available on our website www.towerhamletscg.nhs.uk from 1 May 2013.

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News from the Mayor

Welfare reform: we can do more

AS a council, we have been planning for the best part of the last two years for the government's welfare reforms, which began to be introduced from April 1.

We knew, as was reported last week, that London would be hardest hit.

And we knew that women would also be disproportionately affected.

Last week I was proud to be at an event aimed at working with local women to overcome the challenges they face from these reforms.

It was inspirational to hear some of their stories of resilience.

As I said on the day, I was there primarily to listen to women's views. So far, we've been providing advice and support to local people.

I also decided not to pass on the government's cut in council tax benefit to residents.

I know there is more to be done and there will be an action plan drawing together the outcomes of the meeting, so we can support everyone affected through this incredibly challenging time.

This is a campaign which I'm sure one local man would have supported. John Onslow was a trade unionist and local GMB steward, who campaigned to protect the rights of council employees.

Last Monday I was delighted to attend the opening of the newly-renamed John Onslow



LUTFUR RAHMAN | MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS

House, formerly Gladstone Place One Stop Shop, off Roman Road. It is fitting that John's commitment to the borough has been recognised with such an enduring tribute.

Finally, I must send my congratulations once again to our schools.

As you will no doubt have seen on the front page of this edition, Tower Hamlets has joined a select group of boroughs in the country whose secondary schools have all been rated as good or outstanding by Ofsted.

This is a fantastic achievement, especially for Bow School and George Green's School, both now rated good, and St Paul's Way Trust School, which is now classed as outstanding.

Lastly, I know many of you will have been affected by the news of a clothing factory collapsing in Dhaka, Bangladesh this week.

My thoughts, prayers and deep condolences are with the victims and the families of those who were killed or injured in this terrible tragedy.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman



Mayor Rahman with members of John Onslow's family and guests at the newly named John Onslow House

One Stop Shop renamed in honour of campaigner

John Onslow fought for workers' rights with 'tenacious appetite for justice'

BY EMILY BLACKSHAW

THE One Stop Shop in Bow has been renamed in honour of a man who devoted years to supporting local people.

The building, off Roman Road, will be known as John Onslow House, in honour of the active trade unionist and GMB steward, who campaigned to protect the rights of council employees.

At a special event attended by his family and friends, Mayor

Lutfur Rahman, local councillors and GMB members on April 22, John's commitment to the borough and longstanding service to the council's employees was recognised as a plaque in his honour was unveiled.

Mayor Rahman said: "John Onslow made a valuable contribution to this borough, and the lives of people working here.

"Renaming this building in his memory signifies the legacy John left and will ensure that his commitment to Tower Hamlets and its people is

remembered for years to come."

John's son, Paul, said: "I would like to thank Mayor Rahman and the council for endorsing the renaming of this building in memory of my father; it's an overwhelming and humbling gesture.

"My father had a tenacious appetite for justice and embarked on a selfless crusade to help other people.

"Our spirits will be lifted each and every time we pass the building."

The newly-named One Stop

Shop is one of four in the borough, which provide information and support to residents on a range of issues including benefits, housing, council tax, social services and parking.

Mr Onslow died aged 86 in 2008 and the name change follows a motion proposed at a council meeting in April 2011.

Services provided at John Onslow House, and opening hours, will not be affected.

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LUTFUR RAHMAN | MAYOR OF TOWER HAMLETS My diary

Wednesday, April 17

Last Wednesday, we had a full council meeting which included my report, as well as the usual questions from the public and councillors.

Thursday, April 18

I was on site at Robin Hood Gardens to witness the diggers arrive to start the first stage of the demolition process on the estate, which will help us deliver up

to 1,600 new homes as well as new community facilities.

Monday, April 22

The council's One Stop Shop in Bow was renamed John Onslow House, in honour of a man who devoted years to supporting local people. Renaming this building in his memory signifies the legacy John left and will ensure his commitment to Tower Hamlets and its people is remembered for years to come.

Thursday, April 25

I visited a number of residents in their

homes, many of whom were living in overcrowded conditions with children finding it extremely difficult to study. With the development projects taking place across the borough, I hope to reduce overcrowding and give families suitable places to live.

Thursday, May 2

I will be holding my weekly surgery at the Whitechapel Idea Store. This gives me the opportunity sit down with residents and listen to their concerns. If you would like to raise any issues with me, please get in touch with my office.



Deaf Awareness Week

One in six people in the UK are deaf or hard of hearing and about two million have hearing aids. Nearly 3.7 million people of working age have hearing loss.

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Workers of the world

May Day, also known as International Workers' Day, is a celebration of the labour movement.

News

Paedophile jailed after victim recognised him in the street



Bradley Manning

BY STAFF REPORTER

A PAEDOPHILE has been jailed after his ten-year-old victim recognised him on the street by his distinctive teeth.

Bradley Manning, 26, of Musbury Street, Stepney, had pleaded guilty at Snaresbrook Crown Court to inciting a boy aged under 13 to engage in sexual activity, committing an offence with intent to commit a sexual offence, and possession of hundreds of indecent images of children.

He was jailed on April 18 for nine-and-a-half years and placed on licence for twelve-and-a-half years. His name has been entered on the sexual offences register for life.

The court heard how on October 27, 2012 the boy was followed, grabbed and pushed into a lift at flats in Jubilee Street, Stepney by Manning who intended to sexually assault him.

The youngster managed to escape and reported the crime to police but, despite extensive enquiries, the suspect could not be traced.

About 11 months later, the boy was with his father in the Whitechapel area when he recognised his attacker, partly because of his distinctive teeth.

Manning fled but was chased and caught by the boy's father who was punched in the face during the struggle.

Police arrested Manning and, during searches of his home, seized computer equipment where they found indecent

images, mostly of children being sexually assaulted.

He pleaded guilty to offences involving the ten-year-old boy on November 15 last year and to possessing the images on March 4, 2013.

Detective Sergeant Ian Beattie, from Tower Hamlets CID, said: "This horrendous crime has had a terrible effect on the innocent victim and his family.

"I would like to thank the victim for reporting this matter to police.

"The substantial prison sentence has sent a punitive warning to others that society will not tolerate this behaviour."

He said there could be other victims who have not yet come forward. Call DS Beattie on 8217 4153 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

News in brief

Deaf awareness

Activities to mark Deaf Awareness Week will take place across the UK from May 6-12.

And the council's sight and hearing service will host information stalls in the borough to provide information about services which are available to residents.

Contact 7364 6656 or visit www.actiononhearingloss.org.uk or www.deafcouncil.org.uk

Union speakers

TWO trade union leaders will be speaking at a May Day weekend event in Bethnal Green on Saturday, May 4.

CWU postal workers leader Billy Hayes and NUT teachers union deputy general secretary Kevin Courtney will address the meeting at Oxford House in Derbyshire Street from 1-5.30pm.



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Resting place for famous names

Among the souls buried at Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park are dockers' union organiser Harry Orbell and the first mayor of Poplar and much-loved MP Will Crooks.

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Useful information

Get involved with your park

News from the borough's parks friends groups

MANY of the borough's parks have Friends groups, which organise events and activities to support and encourage people to get involved in their local green space. East End Life looks at some of the events in your area.

Friends of Mile End Park

The friends are an independent group for those who care about the park so everyone can enjoy it.

Every Saturday at 9am, you'll notice a line-up of punters by the entrance to Mile End stadium, ready for their parkrun.

Just a gentle hill to jog up, a scenic trip via the canal and then through the gardens. Two laps is a great start to the weekend.

If you're just strolling by, the park is a great place to get your coffee with other people who like to seize an early weekend start with a breath of fresh air.

Parkrun volunteers organise free, weekly, 5km timed runs. They are great fun for people of all ages and running abilities, and you'll often see families running too. It's free but you must register in advance. Come and check it out or maybe even join in one this Saturday!

For more information visit www.parkrun.org.uk/mileend

For more details of events or to join the friends, visit www.fomep.org.uk

Friends of Victoria Park

The Friends aim to improve the green space of Victoria Park and encourage active involvement in its maintenance and management.

Membership is open to anyone interested in helping the group to achieve its aim.

The group meets at least four times each year and has many events to get involved in, includ-

ing a gardening club.

For more information on their work, visit www.victoriaparkfriends.group.co.uk

Friends of Arnold Circus

The group was formed to rescue the historic bandstand and gardens at the heart of Arnold Circus, which had fallen into disrepair.

The group organises events throughout the year, including brass band concerts, a carrom championship and a community picnic.

Recently, the group welcomed garden-loving volunteers to help unload and spread the second batch of new bark around the flowerbeds. Helpers were rewarded with tea, bagels and an Arnold Circus T-shirt!

The group welcomes all volunteers. For more information and to find out the history of this unique part of the borough, visit www.foac.org.uk

Friends of Tower Hamlets Cemetery Park

The friends manage this 26 acres of beautiful and atmospheric woodland in the heart of the borough.

This is the most urban woodland in London, and Tower Hamlets only dedicated woodland park.

It supports a wide variety of trees, plants, birds, insects, bats, beetles and butterflies.

Managed and cared for by dedicated staff, trustees, and volunteer, it is an invaluable education resource for 8,500 local schoolchildren who use the park as an outdoor classroom.

On Sunday, May 5, from 10am to 4pm, volunteers are needed to carry out much-needed jobs. Refreshments, equipment and training are provided, but wear old clothes and sturdy footwear and bring a packed lunch.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, coming in as a corporate group, joining talks on local wildlife or want to know more about the park's history, visit www.fothcp.org

Chemist rota

Pharmacists in Tower Hamlets with extended opening hours.

E1

ABC Drug Stores, 12-14 Montague Street: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, Sun 10am-2.30pm.

Beck & Sherman, 197 Whitechapel Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-5.30pm, bank holidays 11am-1pm.

Sainsbury's, The Albion Brewery: Mon-Fri 8.30am-10pm, Sat 7.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-5pm.

Chapel, 139 Cannon Street: Mon-Fri 9am-8pm, Sat 9am-6pm.

E2

Fairdale, 360 Bethnal Green Road: Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri 9am-6.30pm, Thurs 9am-1pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

Florida, 307 Bethnal Green Road: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, bank holidays 11am-2pm.

E3

Bell, 534 Roman Road: Mon-Sat 7am-11pm, Sun 10am-2pm.

Forward, 648 Mile End Road:

Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 9am-6pm, Sun and bank holidays 10am-6pm.

Green Light, St Andrew's Health Centre, 2 Hannafoord Walk: 8am-8pm, seven days a week, including bank holidays.

Lincoln, 60 St Paul's Way: Mon, Tues, Weds 8am-8pm, Thurs, Fri, 8am-8pm, Sat 9am-5pm.

Tesco, Hancock Road: Mon 8am-10.30pm, Tues-Fri 6.30am-10.30pm, Sat 6.30am-10pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

E14

Boots, Unit 15, Jubilee Place: Mon-Fri 7am-midnight, Sat

9am-6pm, Sun 12pm-6pm.
Britannia (Perimart), Asda Precinct, East Ferry Road: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 11am-4pm, bank holidays 11am-6pm.

Doctors

Please ring your doctor's surgery for an appointment, but if it's the weekend or late at night, call 7377 7151 (only for people in Tower Hamlets who are registered with a doctor). To find a doctor, dentist or help to quit smoking call the health hotline on 7364 5016, Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 8am-4pm.

Advice

East London Parkinson's Support Group

For people with Parkinson's disease and their carers. Meets third Tuesday each month, 11am at John Scurr Community Centre, 1A Bekesbourne St, E14. 0844 225 3704/0808 800 0303

Family Information Service (FIS)

Information for people from birth to age 19 (or 25 for those with additional needs) including helping to find high quality childcare, advice on tax credits and childcare vouchers. Open Mon-Fri, 8am-6pm Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 fis@towerhamlets.gov.uk 7364 6495

Alzheimer's Society Tower Hamlets

Advice and help for carers and people with dementia. Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. 54-86 Old Montague Street, E1. 7392 9631

Tower Hamlets Advocacy Project

Independent advocates for adults with learning disabilities. Mon-Fri, 9.30am-4.30pm. Gladstone Place, 1 Ewart Place, E3. 7364 2550/2199

Parents Advice Centre (PAC)

Offers impartial advice around special educational needs (SEN). 30 Greatorex Street, E1. Drop-in sessions every Tues, 9.30am-3.30pm & Fri, 9.30am-1pm. 7364 6489

LinkAge Plus

An initiative of the Department for Work and Pensions. Toynbee Hall is one of five centres that coordinates services and activities provided. Mon-Fri from 9am-5pm, drop-in session for advice on benefits, pensions, employment and housing. Appointments necessary. Mon 9am-5pm, Bangladeshi group. Toynbee Hall, Commercial Street, E1 7392 2914 www.toynbeehall.org.uk

Free Advice

Benefits, housing, immigration. Bengali speakers, home visits to house-bound. Weds, 10.30am-12.30pm, Island House, Roserton Street, E14. Thurs, 1-3pm, Splash,

Will Crooks Estate, Poplar High Street, E14. 7987 9379

Tower Hamlets Home Birth Support Group

Last Thurs of each month, 8pm. 31 Ridgale Street, E3. 8981 1159

Tower Hamlets National Childbirth Trust

Offers support, information and friendship to parents and parents-to-be. Holds regular events around the borough. 07976 710964 towerhamletsnct@yahoo.co.uk www.nct.org.uk

Breastfeeding Support Centres

Mon 11am-1pm Wapping

Children's Centre, 15 Chandler St, E1. Weds 12.30-2.30pm, Collingwood Children's Centre, Buckhurst St, E1. Fri 12.30-2.30pm, Overland Children's Centre, 60 Parnell Rd, E3. Sun 2-4pm Barkantine Birth Centre, 121 Westferry Rd, E14. 3594 2591 or 07961 609 626

Families with Autism

Spark Centre, Smart Street, E2. 8981 4924 fwautism@btinternet.com

Free home fire safety advice

From the London Fire Brigade 08000 28 44 28

Careers advice

Bow Job Club

Weds, 1.30-3.30pm, free. Idea Store Bow, 1 Gladstone Place, Roman Road, E3. 7364 4332

Tower Hamlets Careers Service

Advice for ages up to 19 years. Mon-Fri, 9am-12.30pm & 1.30-5pm. Connexions Careers Centre, 35 Bow Road, E3. 7364 1401

TH Lifelong Learning

Mon-Thurs, 10am-4pm. Shadwell Centre, 455 The Highway, E1.

Careers advice

Support from Civic Enterprise Clubs Co-Operative. Tues & Thurs, 1-4pm & 6-9pm. Bishopsgate Institute, 230 Bishopsgate, EC2. 07432 463343 www.civicenterpriseclubs.org



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Government welfare reforms

“Never have we had to face such unprecedented cuts” – Mayor Lutfur Rahman. 1,500 households in Tower Hamlets are likely to be affected, with an average loss of benefits of £100 a week.

Welfare reform advice

The next welfare advice session is at the Bromley-by-Bow Centre from 10.30am on May 20, or search ‘welfare reform’ at

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK

News

BY KELLY POWELL

MORE than 100 women, and quite a few men, attended an event at Idea Store Whitechapel considering how to support women through changes to the welfare system.

Beyond the Bad News: the future for Women 2013 was organised by the council with support from the Fawcett Society, a leading campaigning organisation for women's equality and rights.

Kicking off the event on April 23, Mayor Lutfur Rahman said the council had never had to face such levels of cuts to its budget.

“We've had to find over £100 million of savings but I've been determined to do this without cutting frontline services. I am absolutely committed to protecting frontline staff, the majority of whom are women,” he said.

“We've done a lot of work so far to prepare people for the cuts they face. I want to know what else we, as a council, can do to support you.”

The day included discussions about the impact of the reforms in Tower Hamlets and London, which were identified by the Fawcett Society as disproportionately affecting women.

There was also an interactive drama exploring discrimination against women, with two performances by the Leaders in Community drama and vocal group.

Workshops were held on barriers to

“I left behind a life of abuse and I'm scared these changes will push me back there”

employment, the impact of the reforms on violence against women and girls, and empowering young women, with representatives of Tower Hamlets College, voluntary and community organisations, and local women themselves all sharing their views.

Daisy Sands, policy and campaign manager at the Fawcett Society, said: “Tower Hamlets is doing a great job in preparing residents for the reforms and is leading the way. I'd like to see other London councils taking that step to meet and understand the impact on individual members of the community.”

Chairing the event, Cllr Rabina Khan said: “I have been so moved to hear many of the stories and ideas that have come out today. Sessions like this, where we come together to think about the real solutions to the problems we are facing, are vital if we are going to cope in this current atmosphere.”

“We do not have to be passive in the face of the onslaught from central government. The ideas we have come up with

Drama group (from left) Kaitlene Koranteng, Stephanie Sinclair, Vanita Atim and Sophie Herbert (aka Sas)



today are a starting point for us to move beyond the bad news and create a positive future for women in London.”

The council will be compiling a report and action plan to capture all the ideas and thoughts raised at the event.



As part of its commitment to explain the government's welfare reforms, the council and its partners organised an advice and guidance event for residents affected by the changes. The event, at Idea Store Chrisp Street on April 20, was attended by more than 70 people. The next session will take place on Monday, May 20 at Bromley By Bow Centre from 10am-2pm.



(Above) A resident asks advice about welfare reforms

(Left) Livi Ubuchi advises Mr Rouf

Shalina's story

SHALINA (not her real name) lives in Tower Hamlets with her six children, all aged under ten.

She is a single mother as she was the victim of domestic violence and her current address is not known to her children's father. Shalina has some particular health issues, suffering from hearing problems and a damaged disk in her back.

One of her children is autistic, another has severe eczema and another has special educational needs. She will be affected by both the changes to housing benefit and the so-called 'bedroom tax'; as her children are under ten, they are expected to share bedrooms, despite their varying needs, which means Shalina will lose benefits for what is now deemed to be a spare bedroom in her five-bedroom home.

Shalina said: “Our home is our sanctuary but I am being told I will have to move.

“I feel that the government is turning a blind eye at a difficult time when I'm trying to get back on my feet. They are cold and insensitive to what we're going through.

“I left behind a life of abuse, violence and degradation and I am scared these changes will push me back to that lonely life.”

400 years of history

Wentworth Street was named after Thomas Wentworth, Earl of Cleveland, who owned land in the area in the 1600s.



Behind the hoardings

East End Homes is developing a mixed-use scheme including 128 apartments, 68 homes for social rent and 13 for shared ownership. Denning Point will be given a £4m facelift.

WWW.EASTENDHOMES.NET

Feature

Stroll through Spitalfields and you might see some faces you recognise from years gone by – or even a photo of your younger self. By **Laraine Clay**



Familiar faces on Wentworth Street

HUGE photos taken more than a quarter of a century ago of East Enders young and old are being used to cover hoardings in Wentworth Street, while new homes are being built behind the scenes.

They are the work of freelance photographer and artist Phil Maxwell, who has been recording the street life of Tower Hamlets for more than three decades.

"It's a great theatre," he told East End Life. "I never get bored when I go out with my camera, I'm always surprised by something. It provides an endless supply of material, I love it."

"It's a movable feast that always seems to be magical in the end. When I go abroad to work and come back to the East End, I always find part of the culture that I have left behind. It's a micro-culture in itself."

Phil, 59, who lives in Old Montague Street, Whitechapel, took the photos now being displayed on the hoardings between 25 and 30 years ago.

"I'm fairly pleased with it because the people are larger than life and give the site a kind of warmth," he said.

"It will also engage people as they walk past and it's refreshing not to see models in the pictures, but real characters."

The hoardings have been put up around a housing development being built by housing association East End Homes,

(Above) Hoardings in Wentworth Street, including pictures of Michael Myers, photographed in 1999 playing the barrel organ, who still lives in the area, and the Ullah family, taken in 1984 – the girl holding the young child now has children of her own and lives in Mile End

"It's a great theatre. I never get bored when I go out with my camera"

Phil Maxwell

which is sponsoring a film Phil is making about the Spitalfields area, with his partner Hazuan Hashim.

East One is one of a series of films they have made of the borough and its characters over the years, and will be premiered at the East End Film Festival in June.

"It's about Petticoat Lane and the Spitalfields area, and how it has changed

over the last century, so it ties in with the photos on the hoardings. A lot of them were taken in the immediate area of that site," Phil said.

Passers-by may realise they know some of the people photographed. One is Michael Myers playing the barrel organ in Brick Lane in 1999 surrounded by children. He still lives in the area, and he does a mean

Frank Sinatra cover, according to Phil.

And a girl holding a young child in a picture of the Ullah family on the Holland Estate in 1984 now has children of her own and lives in Mile End.

The hoardings will be in place for two years while the development is built, so why not wander along and see if there's anyone you recognise from days gone by?



(Clockwise from above) Whitechapel, 1985; Cheshire Street, 1985; Commercial Street, 1985



Caring for mentally ill patients



East London NHS Foundation Trust provides mental health and community services to the City of London and the London boroughs of Tower Hamlets, Hackney, Newham and Richmond.

WWW.EASTLONDON.NHS.UK

Cancer figures

About 50,000 women and 400 men in the UK are diagnosed each year with breast cancer. More information at

WWW.BREAKTHROUGH.ORG.UK

Health news

Unique health service to accept homeless patients

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

EAST London NHS Foundation Trust has taken over the running of a drop-in medical centre which provides free health care services for homeless people in Tower Hamlets.

Health E1 is for adults who are homeless or vulnerably housed and who may have a drug or alcohol problem and/or poor mental health. It is nurse-led with GPs and other specialists on hand.

It also offers full, permanent registration with the practice for people without an address who can find it difficult to register with a GP in the usual way.

Patients can get a routine appointment within 48 hours, book an appointment at least two weeks in advance and book a GP telephone consultation if that is more convenient. There is also a daily walk-in clinic Monday to Thursday mornings and Friday afternoons.

And a wide range of services are provided including home visits, a psychologist, health visitors, family planning, blood clinics, new patient health checks, substance misuse clinics mental health clinics, and alcohol services.

Dr Robert Dolan, chief executive, said: "We are delighted to welcome the Health E1 team into the trust.

Members of the Health E1 team



"It provides a much-needed service which complements other services provided by the trust.

"We look forward to working with the

team, learning from their experience, and sharing skills and knowledge."

Health E1 is located at 9-11 Brick Lane, Spitalfields. Call 7247 0090.

Charities in fight for joint remedy

TWO of the UK's largest breast cancer charities have joined forces with Barts Health NHS Trust to launch the first ever programme dedicated to improving services for patients with secondary breast cancer.

Although incurable, secondary breast cancer – in which the cancer grows in other parts of the body – can often be controlled for a number of years.

Breakthrough Breast Cancer and Breast Cancer Care are working with Barts Hospital and patients to help identify, and put in place, improvements that are needed.

The new programme will help to ensure people with secondary breast cancer receive the highest care and support.

Claire Murrell, head of nursing for the cancer clinical academic group at the trust, said: "Barts Health NHS Trust is committed to delivering the highest standards of patient care and we are very grateful to these charities for the specialist training they have provided to our nursing staff to help us identify what more we can do to meet the unique needs of this patient group."

Vital research for pregnant women

RESEARCHERS at Queen Mary, University of London, Mile End, are aiming to recruit 1,000 women with epilepsy to find the best way to control seizures during pregnancy.

The Empire trial is the largest international research project ever held on the safest treatments for such women.

Fifty obstetric units, including Barts Health NHS Trust, are involved in the study which is being led by researchers from the Women's Health research unit at Queen Mary, in collaboration with two hospitals in Birmingham.

Any pregnant woman with epilepsy who is taking one or more of four anti-epileptic drugs can take part in the study. Participants will be seen as usual in a hospital antenatal clinic, every four weeks up until six weeks after they give birth.

They will have regular blood tests during pregnancy to check drug levels and an assessment of levels will also be taken during labour and at six weeks after delivery.

To take part in the trial, contact your obstetrician or neurologist.

For further details about the trial visit www.blizard.qmul.ac.uk/research-generation

It's friends and labours

THE Friends of the Royal London Hospital has donated money for equipment to help clinicians provide the best possible care for premature and new-born babies.

The neonatal resuscitation machine, worth £10,303, will go to the hospital's paediatric accident and emergency department where senior consultant Dr Ian Morrison said it would be a fantastic resource.

Dr Anthea McEwan, who chairs the Friends group, said: "We are delighted our fundraising efforts have allowed us to purchase such a valuable piece of equipment and we are very proud to support the dedicated paediatric team."

The charity also needs new volunteers to join the ward trolley team.

Email cdnickols@btinternet.com or write to Friends Office, Room 25, John Harrison House, The Royal London Hospital, Whitechapel, E1 1BB.



Dr Anthea McEwan with Dr Ian Morrison

Dementia care project nominated for award

A DEMENTIA project has been shortlisted for a second award in as many months.

In March the partnership involved in the scheme – improving pathways for people with dementia and their carers – won the health & Social Care award in the Local Government Chronicle Awards.

And now it is up for a Municipal Journal Award in the Innovation in Social Care category.

The project is run by the council with Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group, East London Foundation Trust and the Alzheimer's Society.

The work of the partnership has resulted in significant improvements for people with dementia and their carers.

The borough went from being one of the poorer performers in London for improvement in the diagnosis of dementia rates to the top of the table, thanks to improved community engagement and work with the voluntary sector.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "I am delighted the MJ has recognised the hard work of this partnership.

"The driving force for this work is to improve the lives of local people by improving the services they receive, so it is wonderful to see this work recognised in this way."

Cabinet member for health and wellbeing, Cllr Abdul Asad, added: "This is fantastic news and recognition of the hard work and dedication of all of the partners involved"



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Boom was followed by bust

The dash for market share of the 1800s was followed by years of decline in the first half of the 20th century, and the death of the huge Stepney works was a bellwether for the industry.

Got a story to tell?

If you have a tale about East End history, write to John Rennie or email him at johnrennie@gmail.com

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History

Rusting gas relics which helped to illuminate Victorian London

BY JOHN RENNIE

DESPITE the title of Ben Pedroche's excellent new book – *London's Lost Power Stations and Gasworks* – they're not all lost of course.

Many of them are still there – hidden behind corrugated iron fences, overgrown with buddleia, or maybe pressed back into service as a chi-chi restaurant, a Majestic wine mart or, on odd occasions still doing their original job.

The most famous example dominates the London skyline: shorn of flying pigs, a constant reproach to a London that often simply lets its industrial heritage rot away.

But here in the East End there are clues, for those who choose to look, of the days when London was lit up for the first time by gaslight, and rival companies competed – and occasionally engaged in pitched battles – to be first to bring power to a new quarter of the metropolis.

The pattern was one that would be repeated in later years with the railways (and with every sunrise industry where investors are battling to stake their claim).

As London multiplied in size and increasingly became a city of mechanised industry in the 1800s, gas was required to power factories and increasingly to light homes.

And so 'scores of different companies started to appear almost overnight, creating fierce competition... and often confusion for customers'.

The confusion was hardly surprising. First to market was the Gas Light & Coke company, which opened its Westminster works in 1813, on what is now Great Peter Street, becoming the world's first to supply gas to the public.

But it was soon joined by the City Gas company, operating from Blackfriars Bridge; the Commercial Gas Company, operating from Stepney; the British Gas Company in Broad Street, on the Ratcliff Highway; the Ratcliff Gas Company, at New Crane, Wapping. In all, the capital had 14 gas companies by the 1830s, each running their own mains and pipework – it was a hopelessly inefficient use of resources.

By the late 1830s, the Commercial Gas Light & Coke Company had muscled its way ahead of the many smaller operations.

The directors decided to break away from the small works, squeezed into spare plots of the metropolis – the debacle of the Gas

“Here in the East End there are clues, for those who choose to look, of when London was lit up for the first time by gaslight.”

Light & Coke Company's two operations squeezed into Old Street and Shoreditch had shown the folly of that.

Built in 1812, the early days of the gas boom, their construction had shown a remarkable naivety on the part of the owners.

Tucked alongside shops and homes in a heavily populated part of the city, with no access either to the canals (or the later railways) it proved a nightmare to get the horse-drawn carriages, bearing huge loads of coke, in and out; nobody had even considered the safety or health implications of siting a smoke-belching and combustible gas-works in a street full of people.

Stepney was the site for the new works, handily close to the East End's canal network and railways into town and out to East Anglia. It would eventually have its own railway (built in 1912) which both ran between the multiple gasometers and sheds on site, and on to the mainline.

This joined a custom-built jetty on the Regent's Canal, from which collier ships would bring in coal from the collieries of Kent, Yorkshire and Durham.

But still London grew, and still more companies wanted a piece of the industry.



There are still several gasometers in east London

And with competition to bring new areas on-tap came sometimes vicious turf wars.

The 'Battle of Bow Bridge' in 1850 would break out when the Great Central Gas Company began to threaten the Commercial's territory.

The Central aimed to supply gas 'at a lower and fairer price' which meant undercutting the competition.

And when Central's men began laying pipes across Bow Bridge, heading for their new works at Bow Common, and bang in the heart of Commercial Company territory, the older company took action.

One evening in early August, gangs of men descended on the workers, driving them away and laying their own pipes on the bridge – leaving no room for their competitors.

The next day, 300 men arrived to chase off the Commercial Company men and laid their own pipes, with several of the workers ending up in hospital or police custody.

New legislation in 1868 meant companies would be fined if their gas was of a quality insufficient to power gas lamps to their full capacity.

The smaller operations were falling by the wayside, but the East End became the favoured site for the new, bigger works that could provide a reliable supply of high quality gas. Land was cheap and the prevailing winds had dictated for centuries that London would site stink industries east of where the money lived, in the City and Westmin-

ster. There were good canal and rail links too.

And so the Commercial Company expanded its Stepney works, the Gas Light opened a new site at Beckton (one of the biggest in the world in 1870) and the Imperial Gas Light & Coke Company began a new works at Bromley-by-Bow, with seven gasometers, to add to its works at Shoreditch, Fulham and Kings Cross. Throughout it all, the Gas Light remained market leader, steadily swallowing its smaller rivals.

The dash for market share of the 1800s was followed by years of decline in the first half of the 20th century, and the death of the huge Stepney works was a bellwether for the industry.

Even the larger local gasworks were now going as the industry consolidated ahead of nationalisation (gas joining medicine, the railways, steel and others in the economic shakeup of Britain in the post-World War II years).

Gas production ceased at Stepney in 1945 and the largely derelict remains were demolished in 1952.

The huge gasometers, ghosts of the Victorian dash for gas, would stand in reminder for 40 years more, though the childhood game of watching them rise and fall, depending on the volume of gas within, was gone forever.

■ Next week: other forms of power, and the architectural clues that remain around the East End.



A range of services

The council provides many services for residents and businesses. Go to the A-Z on the website at

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Council information

Tower Hamlets forward planner

TOWER Hamlets Council produces a forward plan every month detailing the key decisions it will take, together with the details of

the author, and consultation undertaken. It can be found in Idea Stores, libraries, One Stop Shops and council offices or at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/data/your-council/data/forward-plan/forward-plan.cfm

Meetings

Tuesday, April 30

5pm: Inner North East London joint health overview & scrutiny committee

The agenda includes a report on proposed changes to urological cancer services.

6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee

Business includes applications for a new premises licence for Autumn Street Studios, Unit 3, 39 Autumn Street, E3 and to review the premises licence for Chillies, 76 Brick Lane, E1.

For details, call 7364 4120 or email simmi.yesmin@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Tuesday, May 7

7pm: Overview & scrutiny committee

For details, call 7364 4333 or email angus.taylor@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, May 8

5.30pm: Cabinet

For details, call 7364 4120 or email matthew.mannion@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Wednesday, May 15

7pm: Development committee

More details, call Zoe Folley on 7364 4877 or email zoe.folley@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Thursday, May 16

6.30pm: Licensing sub-committee

For details, contact Simmi Yesmin, (details left).

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- report a missed rubbish collection
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- bulk rubbish collections



Get information on welfare reform

The council's benefits service can provide information about housing benefit, council tax benefit and entitlement to free school meals. It has compiled a list of helpful agencies at...

WWW.TOWERHAMLETS.GOV.UK/WELFAREREFORM

Planning

E1

Flats 3 & 5, 15-19 Cleveland Way – relocation of two garage doors and construction of new meter room to provide 24/7 access.

159 Commercial Street – addition of five residential units to existing building. Proposal includes private and communal amenity space and provision for cycle storage.

E2

54 Redchurch Street – additional consent to existing general industrial use for use as shops, financial and professional services, and office.

E3

Flat 204, Omega Works, 4

Roach Road – existing use as 2-bed residential dwelling. **Flat 219, Omega Works, 4 Roach Road** – certificate of lawfulness for existing residential use.

213-217 Bow Road – demolition of warehouse building and erection of three blocks of three, four and six storeys, to provide 37 dwellings together with ancillary parking and landscaping.

19 Ellesmere Road, London, E3 5QU – application for lawful development certificate in respect of proposed internal alterations and replacement of some windows.

35 Coborn Street – new shower to garden room, replacement door and windows to garden room, finishes to front lightwell.

E14

Thames Shingle, 18m from 84 Narrow Street – new sculpture consisting of life-sized male human figure, standing on steel support post, positioned on northern Thames foreshore, approximately 18m from southern boundary of property.

Indecon Court (phase 2 site), 20 Millharbour – application for deed of variation to section 106 planning agreement dated 13.6.08, relating to application PA/07/3282.

This is not a definitive list of all current planning applications. For more details go to the council's website at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk and click on Planning & Building.

Drug treatment providers

Community Drug Team

Substitute prescribing, key working, health screening & referral to residential treatment. 71 Johnson Street, E1. 7790 1344 www.lifeline.org.uk

Nafas

Support with a focus on Bangladeshi community. The Davenant Centre, 179-181 Whitechapel Road, E1 7377 0676.

Harbour Recovery Centre

In-patient detox for 18+ males. Riverside House, 4th Floor, 20 Garford Street, E14. 7538 9421

Young People's Service

Treatment for under-19s. Unit 26, Skyline Village, Limeharbour, E14. 3069 7878 www.lifeline.org.uk

Isis

For women aged over 18 c/o Hopetown Hostel, 60 Old Montague Street, E1. 7426 0399 www.compass-uk.org

Community Alcohol Team

Unit 22, Skyline Village Limeharbour, E14. 0800 008 7200 www.rapt.org.uk

Somali Substance Misuse

Help, advice & referral for people with khat, alcohol or drug issues. Contact Idris Elmi. Mind in Tower Hamlets & Newham, Open House 13 Whitethorn Street, E3. 7510 1081

New powers will be used to tackle yob behaviour

BY SHALINA HUSSAIN

STREET drinkers, drug dealers and trouble-makers are being targeted in Whitechapel with the introduction of a new dispersal zone.

After the successful introduction of a dispersal zone in Bethnal Green earlier this year, the council has approved the police application for a temporary dispersal zone in Whitechapel.

It will cover Bethnal Green Road to the north, Commercial Street and the borough boundary with Hackney to the west, Brady Street leading to Wilmot Street to the east and

Whitechapel Road to the south.

The move is a response to complaints of intimidation and anti-social behaviour in the area.

Mayor Lutfur Rahman said: "The council wants to ensure all parts of the borough are safe places to live, visit and work and will use every power at its disposal to achieve this."

"Brick Lane is a popular tourist attraction and we acknowledge there are issues here, and that is why we are working with the police to crack down on anti-social behaviour."

The zone will allow police officers to exclude groups of two or more people who do not live

in the area, but are acting in an anti-social manner.

If they fail to leave the area or return to the area within 24 hours, they are liable to be arrested, fined up to £2,500 or imprisoned.

The powers also enable police officers to return to their homes under-16s who are not under the effective control of their parent or guardian, between the hours of 9pm and 6am.

Deputy mayor Cllr Ohid Ahmed said: "Anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated. I am confident the dispersal zone will improve the quality of life for residents and businesses based here."

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Look familiar?

Last week's photo was of a cow sculpture in Eric Street, E3.

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Council tax – 7364 5002
Parking services – 7364 5003
Streetline – 7364 5004
Adult social care – 7364 5005
Children's services – 7364 5006
Pest and noise nuisance – 7364 5007
Environmental health, trading standards & licensing – 7364 5008
Planning & development – 7364 5009
Business rates – 7364 5010
Recruitment line – 7364 5011
Electoral services – 7364 0872
Tower Hamlets Homes – 7364 5015
Healthline – 7364 5016

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To report an incident, use these 24-hour freephone numbers:
Non-emergency crimes – 101
Textphone – 18001 101
Hate crimes – 0800 138 0521

General enquiries

For other council enquiries call 7364 5020.

Useful housing numbers

Housing repairs – 0800 376 1637
Tenancy support – 7364 5544
Housing advice (E14) – 7364 7507
Housing advice (E1, E2 or E3) – 7364 3558
Homeless service – 7364 7474
Choice-based lettings – 7364 0244
Homeseekers – 0845 270 2400

Switchboard

If you know the name of the person or department you



Do you know where to find this unusual feature of the borough? Our popular oddities picture poser gives readers the chance to keep their eyes peeled to see if they can spot where our photographers took the pictures. And if you have photos of your own you want to submit, please feel free. Email eastendlife.news@towerhamlets.gov.uk or send them to Photo Poser, East End Life, Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, Poplar, E14 2BG.

need to contact, call the switchboard on 7364 5000.

Town Hall

Town Hall, Mulberry Place,
5 Clove Crescent, E14 2BG.
7364 5000

Other useful information

Safer Neighbourhood teams (SNTs)
SNTs operate in every ward in

Tower Hamlets, providing dedicated community policing that works to priorities set by the public through Local Area Partnerships (LAPs). To find out more about SNTs, contact your local team:
Bethnal Green North 8721 2851
Bethnal Green South 8721 2849
Blackwall & Cubitt Town 8721 2877
Bow East 8721 2807
Bow West 8649 3521
Bromley by Bow 8721 2041
East India & Lansbury

8721 2806
Limehouse 8721 2852
Mile End & Globe Town 8721 2853
Mile End East 8721 2848
Millwall 8721 2850
Shadwell 8649 3524
Spitalfields & Banglatown 8721 2042
St Dunstan's & Stepney Green 8721 2808
St Katharine's & Wapping 8721 2854
Weavers 8721 2043
Whitechapel 8649 3520
If a crime is in progress,

there is an emergency or if anyone is in immediate danger please dial 999.

24-hour domestic violence national helpline
0808 2000 247

Trading standards
Consumer Direct: 08454 040506

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Walk-in services

One Stop Shops

Bethnal Green – 1 Rushmead, off Bethnal Green Road, E2
Bow and North Poplar – 1 Ewart Place, Gladstone Place, E3
South Poplar – 15 Market Square, Chrisp Street, E14
Stepney/Wapping – Cheviot House, 227-233 Commercial Road, E1.
Open Mon-Fri, 9am, doors close at 4.30pm. Sat, 9am, doors close 12.30pm at Rushmead and Cheviot only.

Idea Stores

Bow – Gladstone Place, E3.
Canary Wharf – Churchill Place, Canary Wharf, E14.
Chrisp Street – Vesey Path, E14.
Whitechapel – 321 Whitechapel Road, E1. 7364 4332
All open: Mon to Thurs, 9am-9pm; Fri, 9am-6pm; Sat, 9am-5pm. Sundays – Bow and Chrisp Street open, 10am-4pm; Whitechapel, 11am-5pm; and Canary Wharf, 12-6pm.

Libraries

Bethnal Green – Cambridge Heath Road, E2. 8980 3902
Cubitt Town – Strattondale Street, E14. 7987 3152
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LOCAL LEADER JOHN ONSLOW REMEMBERED

Harmony

Gedisleydii Brick Lane ee daroogada

Brick Lane drug dealers jailed – issue 956

KOOX ka gadi jirtey daroogada rugaha cawska habeenkii ee Whitechapel iyo Brick Lane ayaa la taxaabay kadib markii mud-do afar bilood hawlgalo booliiska iyo kownsulku sameeyeen lagu ogaadey.

Lix qof ayaa qirtay in ay iibiyaan daroogada heerka A sidaa daraadeedna maxkamada Snaresbrook Crown, xukun ku ridey April 16dii.

Saraakiisha kamarooyinka kownsulka ayaa la shaqeeyey booliiska, iyaga oo qayb ka ahaa hawlgalkii Peyster ee lagu daba-galay dhalinyarada ku iibisa daroogada Burdett Road iyo banaanka Rugta Cawska-habeenkii ee ku taal jiidka Whitechapel.

Saraakiisha booliisku waxay ogaadeen in habeenka Jimcaha iyo Sabtida ay koox rag ahi eeg-taan macaamiisha immanaysa Rugta cawska habeenkii.

Cadaymo muhiim ah ayaa la ururiyey oo marag ku ah 8 qof oo kooxda ka mid ah, kadibna waa la taxaabay.



(Top, from left) Abdi Rahman Shireh, Abdi Yusuf and Amine Sugule. (Bottom, from left) Abdi Gulaid, Mohammed Jama and Usaama Ahmed

Lix ka mid ah waxaa lagu kala xukumay, sida tan: Abdiraxman Shire, 20 jir, degan Harford Street, E1 waxaa lagu xukumay sedex sano iyo badh; Amine Sugule, 20 jir, degan Shaarica Smythe, E14 waxaa lagu xukumay iyo Usaama Ahmed, 19 jir, degan Shaarica Beacon, E1 waxaa lagu xukumay midkoodba laba sano iyo badh; Abdi Yusuf, 20, degan Shaarica

Abbot, E14 waxaa lagu xukumay laba sano; Mohamed Jama, 19 jir, degan Knapp, E3 isagana waxaa lagu xukumay 15 bilood. Abdi Gulaid ooh ore uga mid ahaan jirey kooxda, 20 jir, degan Shaarica Saxon, E3 oo denbigaa qirayna waxaa lagu xukumay hal sano iyo badh.

Labada kale da'doodaa yar, sidaa daraadeed lama magacaabi karo soboba sharci awgood.

Ka hortaga qalalaasaha

Tackling violence against women and girls – issue 956

SHIRWEYNE lagaga had-layo siyaabaha looga hortagayo qalalaasaha iyo falaalka lidka ku ah haweenka ayaa bisha in-nagu soo fool leh lagu qabanayaa Whitechapel.

Munaasabada waxaa lagu soo bandhigi doonaa qorshaha kownsulku ee ka hortaga falalka lidka ku ah haweenka oo la daabacay bishii Janaayo.

Shirweynahan oo la qa-banayo Arbacda, May 15, wax-uu u furan yahay brofeshinaliska iyo deganayaasha xiisaynaya, waxaana waxaa ka hadli doona

dad door ah oo kala socda kownsulka, Ururada bulshada, booliiska iyo ururo ku xeel dheerayaal ah.

Waa fursad dadka ku nool aafadani ay ku ogaanayaan qorshu kownsulku ugu tala-galay wax ka qabashada fadqalalooyinka lidka ku haweenka, islamarkaana way anfacaysaa dadka kale ee br-fishinaliska ah ee danaynaya sida kownsulku ula tacaalayo falalka lid ku ahaa haweenka.

Qorshahani wuxuu xooji-nayaa hawlaha kownsulka iyo lamaanayaashiisu ee wax ka

qabashada fadqalalooyinka loo geysto haweenka, waxaanu guud marayaa hawgalada iyo taageerooyinka u diyaar dadka sabatabaxa dhibaatooyinka ku salaysan jinsi nacaybka qaabkay doonaanba ha lahaadaane.

Shirweynaha waxaa lagu qa-banayaa Xarunta Osmani, Whitechapel laga bilaabo 9.30am ilaa 4pm. Waa lacag la'aan, laakiin waxaa loo baahan yahay in isa sii diiwaangeliso. Isdiiwaangelinta iyo faah-faahin dheeraad ah wac 7 364 4380 ama email u dir fiona.dwyer@towerhamlets.gov.uk

পছন্দ মারফিক স্কুলে ভর্তি হতে পেরেছেন শিক্ষার্থীরা

School admissions success – issue 956

পছন্দ মারফিক স্কুলে ভর্তি হতে পেরেছেন ৯৩% বারার প্রাইমারি স্কুলের ছাত্র-ছাত্রীরা, প্যান লন্ডন কর্তৃনেটেড এ্যাডমিশন স্কীমের মাধ্যমে ৩,৩০০ আবেদনপত্র গ্রহণ করা হয় এর মধ্যে ৮৪% ভাগ ছাত্র-ছাত্রীই তাদের প্রথম পছন্দের স্কুলে ভর্তি হবার সুযোগ পেয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের ছাত্র-ছাত্রীরা গড়ে লন্ডনে সবচেয়ে বেশি প্রথম পছন্দের স্কুলে ভর্তি হবার সুযোগ পেয়ে থাকে। গত তিন বছর থেকে এই হারে স্কুলে ভর্তি হবার সুযোগ পাচ্ছে বারার ছাত্র-ছাত্রীরা।

মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, আমি অত্যন্ত আনন্দিত যে বারার ছাত্র-ছাত্রীরা তাদের প্রথম পছন্দ মারফিক স্কুলে ভর্তি হবার সুযোগ পেয়েছে আর এরাই হচ্ছে সংখ্যাগরিষ্ঠ অংশ।

ভর্তি ব্যবস্থার লক্ষ্য হচ্ছে যত বেশি সংখ্যক ছাত্র-ছাত্রীকে যথা সম্ভব স্কুলে ভর্তি করা। তারা যাতে উচ্চ শিক্ষা লাভ করতে পারে এবং গুণগত মানসম্পন্ন শিক্ষালাভ করতে পারে এ জন্যে আমরা কাজ করে যাচ্ছি।

চিলড্রেন সার্ভিসের কেবিনেট মেম্বর কাউন্সিলর ওলিউর রহমান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের শিক্ষার্থীদের পরিষ্কার ফলাফল অত্যন্ত ইতিবাচক। প্রাইমারি স্কুলগুলোতে যাতে আরো ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের স্থান সংকুলান করা যেতে পারে এ জন্যে কাউন্সিল কাজ করে যাচ্ছে।

গত দুই বছরে আমরা আরো দুই হাজার ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের জন্যে স্থান সংকুলানের ব্যবস্থা করেছি। স্থানীয় গুলোতে যাতে আরো ছাত্র-ছাত্রীরা

লেখাপড়ার সুযোগ গ্রহণ করতে পারে এ জন্যে আমরা কাজ করে যাচ্ছি।

বর্তমান ভর্তি ব্যবস্থায় লন্ডনে বসবাসরত পরিবারের সদস্যদের জন্যে ছয়টি স্কুলে ভর্তির জন্যে আবেদন করা যাবে এর মধ্যে থেকে পছন্দ অনুযায়ী স্কুলে ভর্তির জন্যে স্থান সংকুলান করা হবে। এরপর লকেল অথরিটি স্কুলের ভর্তির নিয়মানুযায়ী ব্যবস্থা গ্রহণ করবে।

এর মধ্যে সম্ভব হলে পছন্দের তালিকায় অগ্রাধিকার দেয়া স্কুলে স্থান সংকুলানের ব্যবস্থা করা হবে। যেসব পরিবার ভর্তি সংক্রান্ত আবেদনের ব্যাপারে চিঠি পাননি তাদেরকে যেখানে আসন রয়েছে সেই স্কুলে ভর্তি করানোর জন্যে বলা হয়েছে। জুন মাসের মধ্যে পরামর্শ ও প্রদান করা হবে বলে জানানো হয়েছে।



Mayor Lutfur Rahman unveils a plaque at John Onslow House

জন ওনস্লো স্মরণে বো ওয়ান স্টপের নামকরণ

Remembering John Onslow – see page 6

স্থানীয় ট্রেড ইউনিয়ন ও জিএমবি নেতা জন ওনস্লো (১৯২২-২০০৮) স্মরণে বো ওয়ান স্টপের নাম রাখা হয়েছে, আগে এর নাম ছিল গ্লাডস্টোন প্লেস। জন ওনস্লো তার কর্মজীবনে কাউন্সিল কর্মচারীদের অধিকার সংরক্ষনে কাজ করে গেছেন।

আন্তর্জাতিক ভাবে ভবনে ফলক লাগানো হয় এতে মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান কাউন্সিলরবৃন্দ, সহকর্মীবৃন্দ ও জনের পরিবারের সদস্য ও

স্বজনরা উপস্থিত ছিলেন। মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, জন ওনস্লো এই বারার জনগনের জন্যে অত্যন্ত মূল্যবান অবদান রেখে গেছেন। আজকের এই ফলক স্থাপনের মধ্যে দিয়ে তার স্মৃতিকে ধরে রাখার জন্যে স্থায়ী একটি উদ্যোগ নেয়া হল। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মানুষেরা তাকে স্মরণ রাখবে।

জনের পুর পুল ওনস্লো বলেন, আমার বাবার স্মৃতি রক্ষার্থে মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান যে অবদান

রেখে গেছেন আমি এ জন্যে তাকে ধন্যবাদ জানাচ্ছি।

আমার বাবা মানুষের অধিকার রক্ষা করার জন্যে সর্বতোভাবে চেষ্টা করতেন। আমরা যখন এই পথ দিয়ে যাওয়া আসা করবো তখন আমার বাবার কথা আমাদের মনে পড়বে।

জন ওনস্লো হাউসের সার্ভিস সম্পর্কে বিস্তারিত জানতে হলে ০২০৭ ৩৬৪ ৫০২০ এই নম্বরে ফোন করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।



মেয়র'স কাপ ফুটবল ফাইনাল খেলা অনুষ্ঠিত

বর্ন্যাচা আয়োজনের মধ্য দিয়ে মেয়র'স কাপ টুর্নামেন্টের সফল সমাপ্তি ঘটেছে। এবারের টুর্নামেন্টে প্রায় ৬৩টি টিমের ৯শত ৫০ জন খেলোয়াড় অংশ নিয়ে ছিলেন। মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান দায়িত্ব গ্রহণের পর থেকে খেলাধুলার উন্নয়নের জন্যে যে ভূমিকা গ্রহণ করেছেন মেয়র কাপ টুর্নামেন্ট তার একটি দৃষ্টান্ত।

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Mayor Lutfur Rahman with players and organisers at the Mayor's Cup

মেয়র কাপ টুর্নামেন্ট অনুষ্ঠিত

মাইলএন্ড পার্কে বার্ষিক মেয়র কাপ ফুটবল টুর্নামেন্ট অনুষ্ঠিত হয়েছে, এবারের মেয়র কাপ ফুটবল টুর্নামেন্ট আয়োজনে ছিল কাউন্সিলের স্পোর্টস ডেভেলপমেন্ট টিম এবং এর সাথে যৌথভাবে যেসব সংগঠন কাজ করেছে তারা হল স্থানীয় ফুটবল ক্লাব, ব্যবসা ও ভলান্টিয়ার সংগঠন। ৬৩ টি টিমের প্রায় ৯৫০ জন খেলোয়াড় এই টুর্নামেন্টে অংশগ্রহণ করেছেন।

লন্ডন টাইগার্স ও ব্রমলি বাই বো সিনিওর

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চ্যাম্পিয়নশীপে ফাইনাল খেলায় অংশ গ্রহণ করে। টাইগার্স ১-০ গোলে বিজয় লাভ করে। মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, এই টুর্নামেন্টে অত্যন্ত সফল ভাবে সম্পন্ন হয়েছে, আমি যারা খেলায় অংশগ্রহণ করেছেন ও যারা খেলা দেখেছেন তাদের সকলকে ধন্যবাদ জানাচ্ছি।

ভ্যালেন্স এফসি, ওয়েস্টফোর্ড বয়েস ব্রমলি বাই বো, ওসমনি এফসি, সার্মার টাউন ফিউচার, লেথলান্ড্রী ইউনাইটেড, টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস ওয়েলিং টালাগ ইত্যাদি টিমগুলো এই খেলায় অংশ নেয়। চিলড্রেন সার্ভিসের কেবিনেট মেম্বার কাউন্সিলের ওলিউর রহমান বলেন ভাল টিমের

অংশগ্রহণের মাধ্যমে ফাইনাল খেলা জমে উঠেছিল।

মেয়র'স কাপের জনপ্রিয়তা দেখে আমার অত্যন্ত ভাল লাগছে, আমি এর সাথে সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলকে ধন্যবাদ জানাচ্ছি। আমি আগামী বছরের প্রতিযোগিতার জন্যে অধীর আগ্রহে অপেক্ষা করছি।

কো-অপারিটিভে যোগ দিয়ে জ্বালানি

বিলে বছরে ১২২ পাউন্ড সাশ্রয় সম্ভব

Join energy co-op – see page 3

টি.এইচ.ই কমিউনিটি পাওয়ার কো-অপারেটিভের সাথে যারা জড়িত হয়েছেন সেইসব বাসিন্দারা বছরে জ্বালানি বিলে বছরে ১২২ পাউন্ড সাশ্রয় করতে পারবেন। কো-অপ যাদের সার্ভিস নেবে গত ৯ই এপ্রিল দেশের বড় বড় এনার্জি কোম্পানিগুলোর সাথে এর নিলাম অনুষ্ঠিত হয়।

জ্বালানি বিলে অর্থ সাশ্রয় করার জন্যে গত বছর টিএইচই নামের এই কো-অপারেটিভে প্রতিষ্ঠা করা হয়। দেশের মধ্যে এ ধরনের উদ্যোগ এই প্রথম যা টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে নেয়া হয়েছে। এর পরে লন্ডনের আরো ২০টি বারায় দি বিপ লন্ডন এনার্জি সুইচ কীম এর উদ্যোগ নেয়া হয়েছে। এনার্জি কোম্পানিগুলো প্রতিযোগিতামূলক ভাবে তাদের দরপত্র দাখিল করে যার উপর নিলাম অনুষ্ঠিত হয়েছে। যারা এই কো-অপারেটিভের সাথে জড়িত হয়েছেন তারা ই হ্রাসকৃত মূল্যে জ্বালানি ব্যবহার করতে পারবেন।

এপ্রিলে অনুষ্ঠিত নিলামে দেখা গেছে দেশের মধ্যে ১৬০,০০০ বাড়ি, লন্ডনে ২৬,০০০

হাজার বাড়ি এবং টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসে ২,০০০ হাজার এই কীমের সাথে যুক্ত হয়েছেন যারা হ্রাসকৃত মূল্যে জ্বালানি ব্যবহার করার সুযোগ পাবেন। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন জ্বালানি বিল সাশ্রয় করার জন্যে এটি একটি অত্যন্ত ভাল কীম বছরে ১২২ পাউন্ড সাশ্রয় করার সুযোগ এখানে রয়েছে। যে কেউ এই কো-অপারেটিভের সাথে জড়িত হতে পারবেন এর জন্যে আয় সংক্রান্ত কোন কিছু পরীক্ষা করা হবে না।

সকলের জন্যে এই সুযোগ রয়েছে আমি আহ্বান জানাচ্ছি এই কো-অপারেটিভের সাথে জড়িত হওয়ার জন্যে। “ যারা এই কো-অপারেটিভের সাথে জড়িত হয়েছেন তাদের নামে চিঠি ইস্যু করা হবে। এই চিঠিতে তারা কত সাশ্রয় করতে পারবেন এবং অন্যান্য বিষয় ভাল ভাবে বুঝিয়ে দেয়া হবে। জ্বালানি বিলে সাশ্রয় করার জন্যে ০৮০০ ৫০৮ ৮৩৬৪ এই নম্বরে যোগাযোগ করুন।

ক্যাশ মেশিনে কার্ড জালিয়াতি করায় ৬

জনের বিভিন্ন মেয়াদের শাস্তি হয়েছে

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একজন পেনশনারের কার্ড জালিয়াতির দায়ে শাহবাজ খান (৩৩) ওয়ালাথাম ওয়ে চিভফোর্ড এর বাসিন্দাকে এক বছরের কারাদন্ড ফিরোজ খান(৩১)কে ২০ মাসের কারাদন্ড এবং আদম খান(৩৩) ১২ মাসের কারাদন্ড দিয়ে ১ বছরের জন্যে সাসপেন্ড রাখা হয়েছে। এই তিন ব্যক্তি ঐ পেনশনারের কার্ড জালিয়াতির মাধ্যমে হস্তগত করে এবং তাদের কাছে জালিয়াতি করার যন্ত্র ও পাওয়া যায়।

ঘটনার বিবরণে জানা যায়, গত বছরের ৪ঠা ফেব্রুয়ারি একজন পেনশনার ব্যাংকের ক্যাশ মেশিন থেকে টাকা উঠাতে যান তার কার্ড ক্যাশ মেশিনে আটকে যায়। এ সময় এক ব্যক্তি তাকে হেল্প করার জন্যে এগিয়ে আসে, তখন সে ক্যাশ মেশিন চেক করে বলে কার্ড জ্যাম হয়ে আটকে গেছে।

কার্ডের মালিক চলে গেলে তারা জালিয়াতির যন্ত্র জ্যামকৃত কার্ড খুলে নিয়ে কারে উঠে পালিয়ে যায়। ঐ সময় সিসিটিভিতে তাদের কারের নম্বর রেকর্ড হয়ে গেলে পরে তাদেরকে

এই ঘটনার জন্যে গ্রেফতার করা হয় এবং বিচারে তাদের শাস্তি হয়।

লাইম হাউস পুলিশ স্টেশনের তদন্তকারি অফিসার পিসি হেলেন জারকেস্ট এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন তারা একজন পেনশনারকে সাহায্য করার জন্যে এগিয়ে এসেছে বলে পেনশনার মনে করেছিলেন পরে দেখা গেল তারাই প্রতারণা। কারো ব্যাংক কার্ড ক্যাশ মেশিনে আটকে গেলে কেউ সাহায্য করার জন্যে এগিয়ে আসলে তাদের বিশ্বাস করা উচিত নয়। এ ছাড়াও কেউ পিন নম্বর দেখতে পাচ্ছে কি না তা ও খেলায় রাখা উচিত।

ডেপুটি মেয়র কাউন্সিলর ওহিদ আহমদ এ ব্যাপারে মন্তব্য করতে গিয়ে বলেন, গত ২০১২ সালে পুলিশ ডাকাতি, ৩ জনকে এটেমপ্টেড মার্ডার, চুরির পৃথক পৃথক অভিযোগে ১২০ জনকে গ্রেফতার করেছে। ৩০ জন ছিটকে চোর হাতে নাতে ধরা পড়েছে এ জন্যে কাউন্সিল এবং পুলিশের পদক্ষেপকে তিনি ধন্যবাদ জানান।

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কারাদন্ড দেয়া হয়েছে

মেয়র'স কাপ টুর্নামেন্টে ৬ জন ড্রাগ ডিলারকে কারাদন্ড দেয়া হয়েছে, তারা সংঘবদ্ধ ভাবে ব্রিকলেইনের ক্লাবে আসা লোকদের নিকট ড্রাগ বিক্রি করতো। পুলিশের তদন্তে তাদের বিরুদ্ধে আনীত অভিযোগ সন্দেহাতীত ভাবে প্রমানিত হয় এবং তাদের বিভিন্ন মেয়াদের কারাদন্ড দেয়া হয়।

ইয়ুথ অফেন্ডার্স এ তাদের শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে, ই ওয়ানের হারফোর্ড স্ট্রীটের আবদি রহমান শিরে (২০) কে সাড়ে তিন বছরের শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে, ই ১৪ এর আমিন সিদ্দিক (২০) কে আড়াই বছরের শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে, ই-১৪ এর এবট রোডের আবদি ইউসুফ (২০) কে দুই বছরের শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে। লন্ডন ই প্রি এর ন্যাপ রোডের মোহাম্মদ জামা (১৯) কে ১৫ মাসের শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে। ই-প্রি এর সেক্সন রোডের সাবেক গ্যাড মেম্বার আবদি গুলাইদ (২০) ক্লাস এ ড্রাগস সাপ্লাই করার কথা স্বীকার করায় তাকে ১৫ মাসের শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে।

অন্য দুজন আসামীর বয়স কম থাকায় তাদের নাম প্রকাশ করা হয়নি।

ডেপুটি ইন্সপেক্টর জন কার্কেল ইন্সট এন্ড লাইফকে বলেন, মেট্রোপলিটান পুলিশ সহযোগি সংগঠনগুলোর যৌথ উদ্যোগে একটি সংঘবদ্ধ ড্রাগ ডিলার দলের বিরুদ্ধে অভিযান চালিয়ে তাদেরকে শাস্তি দেয়া হয়েছে।

মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, অপরাধ দমনে কাউন্সিলের সিসিটিভি তে কর্মরত অফিসারবৃন্দ অত্যন্ত প্রশংসনীয় কাজ করেছেন। অপারেশন পেইস্টার অপরাধীদের গ্রেফতার করার জন্যে স্থানীয় অভিজ্ঞতাকে কাজে লাগানোর প্রচেষ্টা নিয়েছেন।

ডিউক অফ ইয়র্ক সেন্ট

পলস স্কুল পরিদর্শন করেছেন

ডিউক অফ ইয়র্ক সেন্ট পল স্কুল পরিদর্শন করে এই স্কুলের অগ্রগতি সম্পর্কে অবগত হয়েছেন। স্কুলের ট্রান্সফরমেশন প্রকল্পের চেয়ারম্যান লর্ড ম্যান ডিউকে স্কুলের অগ্রগতি সম্পর্কে অবগত করেন। এই সময় ট্রান্সফরমেশন প্রকল্পের অংশীদার সংগঠন কাউন্সিল, জেপি মর্গান, ডাই ওকিস অফ লন্ডন এবং পপলার হারকার প্রতিনিধিরা উপস্থিত ছিলেন।

২০১১ সালের জানুয়ারি থেকে ৪০ মিলিয়ন পাউন্ড ব্যায়ে বিভিন্ন স্কুল ফর ফিউচার প্রোগ্রামের অধীনে স্কুলটির উন্নয়ন সাধিত হওয়ার পর নাটকীয় ভাবে শিক্ষার উন্নতি হয়েছে। প্রধান পেনশনারকে সাহায্য করার জন্যে এগিয়ে এসেছে বলে পেনশনার মনে করেছিলেন পরে দেখা গেল তারাই প্রতারণা।

তিনি ইন্সট এন্ড লাইফকে জানান, ডিউক স্কুলের বিজ্ঞান বিষয়ে পাঠদানকে অগ্রাহ্য সহকারে দেখেন। বিজ্ঞান শিক্ষায় শিক্ষিত হয়ে ভবিষ্যতে ছাত্র-ছাত্রীরা ডিগ্রি অর্জন কর্মসংস্থানে স্থান করে নিতে পারবে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, সেন্ট পলস স্কুলের ট্রান্সফর্মিং প্রজেক্টের সাফল্য দেখে ডিউক তার সম্ভ্রুতি প্রকাশ করেছেন। স্থানীয় সংগঠনগুলো ঐক্যবদ্ধ ভাবে কাজ করার ফলে যে সাফল্য আসতে পারে এই প্রজেক্টটির সাফল্য তাই প্রমান করেছে। টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের অন্যান্য এলাকায় একে অনুসরণ করা হবে।

উল্লেখ্য যে, এই প্রকল্পে ৪৭০ টি নতুন বাড়ি, হেলথ সেন্টার ও সেন্ট পলস ওয়ে ট্রাস্ট স্কুল ডিএনএ রিসার্চ সেন্টার প্রতিষ্ঠার পরিকল্পনা রয়েছে।

নারী নির্যাতনের বিরুদ্ধে

সমাবেশ

তরুণী ও নারীদের উপর নির্যাতনের বিরুদ্ধে ১৫ই মে বুধবার, সকাল সাড়ে নটা থেকে বিকাল ৪টা পর্যন্ত হোয়াইটচ্যাপেলের ওসমনি সেন্টারে এক সেমিনারের আয়োজন করা হয়েছে। এতে কাউন্সিল অফিসার পেশাজীবী নেতৃবৃন্দ, অগ্রাহি বাসিন্দারা, কমিউনিটি সেক্টর গ্রুপস, পুলিশ এবং অন্যান্য বিশেষ সংস্থার কর্মকর্তাবৃন্দ এই সেমিনারে অংশ নেবেন।

যারা এই এলাকায় কাজ করেন তারা জানতে পারবেন বারা নারী নির্যাতনের বিরুদ্ধে কি ধরনের ভূমিকা গ্রহণ করেছে। ভায়োলেস এগেইনস্ট ওমেন এবং গার্লস এর সেমিনারের মাধ্যমে কাউন্সিল এবং তার সহযোগি সংগঠনগুলো নারী নির্যাতনের বিরুদ্ধে এবং ভুক্তভোগীদের সহযোগিতা দানের জন্যে পস্থা অবলম্বনের ব্যাপারে আলোচনা করবেন।

এ ব্যাপারে আরো বিস্তারিত জানতে হলে ৭৩৬৪ ৪৩৮০ এই নম্বরে অথবা fiona.dwyer@towerhamlets.gov.uk এই ই-মেইলে যোগাযোগ করার জন্যে অনুরোধ করা হয়েছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস

পার্টনারশীপ প্রজেক্ট

এ সম্বন্ধে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস পার্টনারশীপ প্রজেক্ট লকেল গভর্নমেন্ট ক্রনিকলের জন্যে মনোনীত হয়েছে। জানা গেছে, টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস বারা পার্টনারশীপের মাধ্যমে কাজ করার ফলে ডিমনেশিয়া রোগ নির্ণয় এর ক্ষেত্রে অনেক উন্নতি লাভ করেছে।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস কাউন্সিল ক্রিনিক্যাল কমিশনিং গ্রুপ, ইন্সট লন্ডন ফাউন্ডেশন ট্রাস্ট এবং আলজেরিয়ায় সোসাইটির সাথে যৌথ উদ্যোগে কাজ করে যাচ্ছে। এই সব সংগঠনগুলো যৌথভাবে কাজ করে ডিমনেশিয়া আক্রান্তদের সাথে সফল ভাবে সেবা প্রদানের জন্যে মাট মাসের পুরস্কারের জন্যে তারা মনোনীত হয়েছেন।

টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটসের মেয়র লুৎফুর রহমান বলেন, পার্টনারশীপের মাধ্যমে কাজ করার ফলে টাওয়ার হ্যামলেটস সাফল্য অর্জন করায় মিউনিসিপ্যাল জার্গনের পুরস্কারের জন্যে শর্ট লিস্টেড হওয়ায় আমি অত্যন্ত আনন্দ অনুভব করছি।

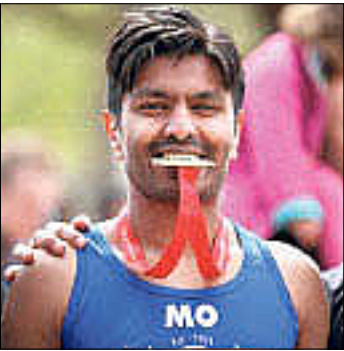
হেলথ ও ওয়েলবিয়িং বিষয়ক কেবিনেট মেম্বার কাউন্সিলর আব্দুল আসাদ বলেন, এই প্রজেক্টে যারা জড়িত আছেন তাদের কঠোর পরিশ্রমের ফলে এই স্বীকৃতি পাওয়া সম্ভব হয়েছে।

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Brave borough runners were among the 34,361 men and women taking part in the Virgin London the Boston Marathon less than a week earlier, and how they were inspired by their goal of raising



Keep on



Mohammed Ali (left), 37, completed the marathon in 3 hours 48 minutes but said he will be back next year to finish in under three.

Stepney born and bred, the entrepreneur with his own drinks firm was raising money for the Human Relief Foundation, which supports orphan children in South East Asia. The total was nearing £2,000 by the end of the week.

"It was a fantastic day. It was my first ever marathon and in fact my first race in my whole life," he said. "I have never been fitter."

He said his mother was worried about him running in the race after the Boston bombings but he was determined to do it.

"The 30-second silence was very moving, very emotional for me, it's disgusting what happened. Everyone who runs a marathon in the whole world is doing it for charity, why would they be targeted?"



(Above) Runners in Westferry, with Canary Wharf looming in the background.



(Left, from top) double Olympic champion Mo Farah with the leading pack of elite runners; a runner gets treated for sore muscles; wheelchair athletes are cheered on by the crowds



Completing the marathon on Sunday was a dream come true for journalist Leigh Tarron (above, with fellow runner Sue Archer), who for years watched other runners go past her Cable Street home.

She was running for Brain Tumour UK in memory of her father Stan Tarron and said it was an experience she will never forget.

"My three little boys, Sam and twins Mark and Ben, made banners for me, and wore T-shirts with my photo on it and the words 'Run Mummy Run'! I was so emotional when I crossed the finish line that I burst into tears, a mixture of relief, euphoria and pain," she said.

Leigh has raised more than £900 so far and completed the race in five hours 59 minutes: "I didn't do it for a time, just for the experience, and spent a long time chatting to family and friends along the route.

"I am aching like crazy, have a huge blister but a very, very happy heart!"

Leigh was running with her friend Sue Archer (also pictured above), who was raising money for the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign.

Sue said: "The crowds and supporters were such a boost and really helped you carry on when the going got tough. The runners themselves were also an inspiration – helping so many good causes close to their hearts.

"It really showed human nature at its very best and the camaraderie was especially poignant in the aftermath of the tragic Boston Marathon bombings; there was a real sense of determination after adversity which made it so unforgettable."



Liam Smith from Poplar had yet another reason to run – a surprise proposal for his girlfriend Zoe Jefferson halfway round the course.

"I had been planning to propose for some time and when I got my marathon place I knew that was the best time to do it," he said.

"So just before the 16-mile point I got down on one knee and received an extra big cheer from the crowd when the speaker of the Tooke pub announced that a runner had just stopped to propose and his girlfriend said yes! I was over the moon."

The couple also recently found out they are expecting their first child in September.

"This news got me through those last few tough weeks of training," said the 28-year-old pawnbroker.

Despite the important delay, and damaging his ankle at 20 miles, Liam completed the race in 5 hours 11 minutes and has already raised more than double his £700 target for the British Skin Foundation.



Marathon last Sunday. Many spoke of their determination to see it through after the horrors of
g money for the charities of their choice. **Laraine Clay** reports. Photos by **Kois Miah**.

running...



Seven runners from Wapping completed the race together as Team Dennis (above) in memory of sports coach and veteran marathon runner Dennis St Croix who died of cancer last year.

Sarah Smith, Joanna Monehen, Neil Rutter, Mike Gawne, Mark Ali, William Sheen and Simon Blewett have so far raised more than £5,000 for Cancer Research UK.

Simon said: "Our times varied as we had a mix of runners at varied levels. The main aim was getting everyone safely over the finish line and we all managed to bring home a medal.

"Sarah Smith deserves a special mention, not only for being the heart and soul of Team Dennis, but for battling illness and still making it to the end."

He added: "It's a fantastic experience. The crowd are incredible and we live at halfway point so we get the added bonus of seeing lots of family and friends."



Cathy Bryan (above), former education and outreach officer for the Daneford Trust in Bethnal Green, ran for the charity and completed the race in 5 hours 34 minutes.

"Wow, what an incredible experience that was! I'd heard about the amazing support you get along the route, but was overawed by it all the way round. It seems that many supporters came to cheer in defiance of the Boston tragedy, and their messages of support really helped me and other runners," Cathy said.

"I was proud to be raising money for the Daneford Trust, to promote global understanding and co-operation between young people from London and overseas. I think these are values we should all be encouraging in the light of what is currently happening in the world."

She has helped the trust raise £4,300, including an anonymous donation of £1,000.



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Mohibul Haque (above), 28, known as Marathon Mo to customers at the Bethnal Green curry house where he works, had to make a furtive escape from the back of an ambulance to finish the race.

He said the energy gels he had been taking were making him feel ill and stopped for some first aid near the end of the course.

"For half an hour they checked me over and said I may not be able to go back out. I pleaded as it was less than a mile to go, they were strongly suggesting that I don't but while they turned away, I jumped out of the ambulance and ran back to the race," said Mo, who completed it in 4 hours 42 minutes.

"I found it very overwhelming. The crowd was amazing, the entertainment along the way was pure class. I must say a massive thank you to the volunteers who helped along the way. Especially the 'water people' and the paramedics on standby, they were amazing."

Mo, who has raised more than £2,000 for international aid organisation VSO, added: "I would also like to dedicate my marathon success to those killed and affected by the bombings in the Boston Marathon."

(Right) A few of the amazing costumes worn by runners



Solicitor Jonathon Milne (right), 28, said the running was harder than he thought it would be and hit the "wall" at 20 miles, completing the race in 3 hours 48 minutes.

"It was extremely inspirational and rewarding but incredibly painful," he said but hopes to run in future marathons.

He was running for the Meningitis Research Foundation in memory of his brother Simon, who died of the disease in 1977, and hopes to raise at least £1,000.

More than 200,000 plastic bottles were collected from the streets of Tower Hamlets after Sunday's London Marathon in the council's biggest clean-up operation of the year. Working closely with contractors Veolia, the clean-up effort saw more than eight and a half tonnes of plastic bottles collected – all of which will be recycled. Veolia teams took approximately four and a half hours to clear the waste (below) from all roads on the marathon route.



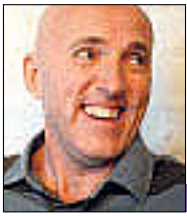
This picture of two-year-old Eve Griffiths (left) watching the marathon was sent in by her dad, Martin.

The family, who live in St David's Square on the Isle of Dogs, viewed the race between miles 16 and 17 of the course at Westferry Road.

Richard MacKinnon (right), 37, from Wapping has raised more than £1,600 for Epilepsy Action and completed the race in 4 hours 51 minutes.

"I'm doing my bit to show that epilepsy needn't mean the end of your life and to try and reduce some of the stigma associated with it," said Richard, who was diagnosed with epilepsy ten years ago.





The wanderer returns

While the Backyard Club was closed Lee Hurst performed a show called Man v Woman in a few venues. It was well received and led to a 50-date tour, called Too Scared to Leave the House.

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Out & About

Funnymen Lee invites you to his Backyard once again

BY TOM SHEEN

AFTER a six-year hiatus, an East End institution that was a staple of the community for more than a decade is back.

For the first time since 2007, comedian Lee Hurst has re-opened the Backyard Comedy Club, which helped make him, and a host of other comedians, household names.

The club, at the Backyard Bar in Cambridge Heath Road, has played host to many of Britain's favourite comedians.

Micky Flanagan, Harry Hill, Milton Jones and Ava Vidal all performed on the stage, in what was one of London's most popular comedy clubs for 13 years.

Hurst was a long time

member of the They Think It's All Over panel and has appeared numerous times on Have I Got News For You.

He will comper the show, which features three fantastic acts from the comedy circuit each week, for the opening night on Saturday, May 4.

Hurst will be joined by Craig Murray, who has shared the stage with Harry Hill and Robin Williams, as well as starring in Plusnet TV adverts.

Maff Brown also brings his mischievous brand of comedy to the Bethnal Green stage.

Brown has enjoyed great success with his Outside the Box Comedy Club, which has achieved cult status and attracts many top comedians.

Finally, Paul Sinha, well loved

as the SinhaMan from TV gameshow The Chase and with hilarious turns on The News Quiz, The Now Show and Just A Minute, completes the line-up.

A night after the grand reopening, popular northern comedian Jason Manford will be at the Club to present a special sneak preview of his Work In Progress UK Tour.

The tour is not due to start until May 15 and includes just two London dates, at the end of October.

The Backyard Comedy Club returns on Saturday, May 4 at the Backyard Bar, 231 Cambridge Heath Road, Bethnal Green at 8pm.

Tickets cost £13. For more information and to book visit www.backyardbar.co.uk



Lee Hurst is coming back to his roots

Brewery gets in a spin over cycling

THE Old Truman Brewery hosts a festival dedicated to the bicycle on the May bank holiday weekend.

SPIN London is the world's first urban bicycle show and festival and claims to have everything discerning bike lovers could need under one roof.

The festival will feature some international brands and independent makers, with stalls that show off the very best custom road bikes, fixed gear and BMXs – there will also be a whole host of cycle fashion, from established to emerging brands.

For those who don't just want the best equipment and gear but actually want to prove they are the fastest on two wheels, there is the Rollapaluzza racing machine.

Two bikes have been put on special custom built rollers that are connected to a huge dial, giving

the racers split-second digital timing as they battle it out.

Those with a bit less speed but a bit more stamina can help generate enough power for a full film screening at the pedal-powered cinema.

There is a large art programme, including the Bike V Design exhibition from the Design Museum, and numerous cycle art installations.

There is also the chance to watch bikes being built.

Finally there are talks and demonstrations planned, and DJ sets from Pictures Music, Hackney Globe Trotter, Monkey Island and more.

SPIN London will be at The Old Truman Brewery, Brick Lane on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5.

Tickets cost £7 in advance, or £10 on the day. For more information and to book tickets visit www.spinldn.com



MUSIC Space Live returns to showcase the best young musical talent to be found in the borough.

The free event gives young people aged 13 to 19 the chance to perform live to a music-loving audience.

On April 30 the young people, who have been honing their talents at local charity CM Sounds, will perform an eclectic mix of music styles, covering everything from indie to hip-hop.

The acts, including the Skellies (pictured), have all taken advantage of the free

rehearsal rooms, instrument training and mentoring service that CM Sounds provides. CM Sounds is celebrating its 30th birthday this year and on the night there will be prizes for the audience, including free studio and rehearsal time, as well as vouchers for Nando's and HMV.

Music Space Live takes place at Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, on Tuesday, April 30 from 6-8.30pm.

Tickets are free, for more information visit www.cmsounds.com/events/entry/music-space-live3

News in brief

Up on the roof

AFTER a long, cold winter film-lovers can rejoice as the Rooftop Film Club returns.

It allows you to enjoy the very best films al fresco, as you sit in comfy chairs, wrap up with blankets and watch the stars of the silver screen.

As well as classics there will be a number of newer films on show; the first week includes screenings of an Indiana Jones classic, The Big Lebowski and Seven Psychopaths.

Rooftop Film Club runs from April 30 until September 30, usually showing four films per week. Tickets cost £12 each.

Screenings are at the Queen of Hoxton, 1-5 Curtain Road, Shoreditch. For full listings visit www.rooftopfilmclub.com

Join new choir

ARTS Admin are looking for people who live or work in Tower Hamlets to take part in a new choir.

Artist Kamala Katbamna is currently putting together a song list for the collection.

Rehearsals will take place on Thursday evenings, from May 16 until June 20, from 6.30-8pm, at Toynbee Studios, Commercial Street.

There will be a performance as part of the Two Degrees festival on Friday, June 21.

To join in, call Jessica Denning on 7247 5102 or email Jessica@artsadmin.co.uk

Pub set to reopen

AN East End pub is ready to welcome punters once again after a 12-year closure.

The Crown & Shuttle is once again open after some hard work from its newest owners.

The pub will house the best craft beer from London-based brewers, great wine, and micro-distilled gin and vodka.

There is a large garden with a wood-burning oven, table football, ping pong tables, and another bar.

The official opening is on Thursday, May 2. The Crown & Shuttle is at 226 Shoreditch High Street, E1.

www.crownandshuttle.co.uk



Secret Garden

The Secret Garden is an adaptation of a Frances Hodgson Burnett novel.

SEE BELOW



Life on a council estate

Gutted is set on a Bermondsey council estate over a 24-hour period and tells of a family ripped apart by an eldest brother who leaves rehab determined to tell the truth about his life.

SEE BELOW

Out & about guide

Dance

Argentinian tango E14

Class. Sat 2-5pm. £5. St John's Community Hall, 37 Glengall Grove, E14.
7538 3852

Ballroom/Latin American

Fri, 2-4pm, £2.50, 20p refreshments.
Kingsley Hall, Powis Road, E3.
8550 1392

Belly dancing

Beginners' classes
Sats, 2-3pm, £6.
Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
07796 850506

Brazilian dance classes

Fri, 10.30-11.30am. Free.
Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove, E14.
7538 1714
www.danceartuk.com

Community dance

Free dance aerobics and fitness classes for people looking to get fit, beginners welcome. Every Thurs, 5.45-6.45pm; every Fri, 11am-12pm.
Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove, E14.
7538 1714

DanceArt Project

Ballet for children every Thurs, 3-5 years, 4pm; ages 6-9, 5pm.
Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove E14 8LH.
07402 022736

Energize4Girlz

South African gumbout dancing.

What's on where this week

Exhibition

Gert & Uwe Tobias

Features the Romanian-born twin brothers' woodcuts, sculptures, collages and drawings. Free.

Until Jun 14.
Whitechapel Gallery,
77-82 Whitechapel High Street, E1.
7522 7888

Film

Doctor Who 50th Anniversary Celebration

Dr Who novellists talk about the Doctor's trips in prose fiction, then two comic book writers and two artists discuss his serialised strip adventures.

Followed by 1960s film Dr Who and the Daleks.
Sun, May 5, 12.30pm.
Stratford Picturehouse, Salway Road, E15.
www.picturehouses.co.uk

Music

Trading Roots

Renowned jazz musicians the Grand Union Orchestra will perform their popular mix of musical styles, combining Indian ragas with Latin

Every other Saturday from 11am-12.30pm.
St Pauls Shadwell Church, 302 The Highway, E1.
energize4girlzdance@gmail.com

Free classes in dance aerobics

Thurs, 5.45-6.45pm; and creative dance fitness, Fri, 11am-12noon. All levels welcome.



The Thatcher Years: My Eighties by Dave Sinclair

East End Life photographer Dave Sinclair presents an exhibition of photographs from the 1980s, full of memorable events of the decade. Free.

From Thurs, May 2.
Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1.
www.richmix.org.uk

American salsa, Chinese melodies, reggae base lines and more £5-£12.
Sun, May 5, 7.30pm.
Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1.
7375 1122

Vampire Weekend

Popular New York indie foursome play at the famous venue to mark the release of their third album, Modern Vampires of the City. £27.50.

Thurs, May 2, 7pm.
The Troxy, 490 Commercial Road, E1.
www.troxy.co.uk

Hoxton Ukulele Hootenanny

Weekly workshops for those who want to learn the ukulele or have fun. Free
Mon, Apr 29, 7.30pm
Queen of Hoxton, 1 Curtain Road, EC2A
www.queenofhoxton.com

Theatre

The Secret Garden

One of Britain's most loved and cherished children's tales performed by Red Dress Productions. £8-£12.

Until Sat, May 4, 7.30pm, 1pm matinees
Weds & Fri.
The Space, 269 Westferry Road, E14.
7515 7799
www.thespace.org.uk

Gutted

Thought-provoking drama that looks at taboo subjects, from award-winning director Rikki Beadle-Blair. £10.50.

Until Sat, May 25, times vary.
Theatre Royal Stratford East,
Gerry Raffles Square, E15.
www.stratfordeast.com

Every other Saturday from 11am-12.30pm.
St Pauls Shadwell Church, 302 The Highway, E1.
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Free classes in dance aerobics

Thurs, 5.45-6.45pm; and creative dance fitness, Fri, 11am-12noon. All levels welcome.

Alpha Grove Community Centre, Alpha Grove, E14.
7538 1714

Green Candle Youth Dance Co

Ages 11-14. Tues, 4-5.30pm, free.
Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
7739 7722

Green Candle Senior Dance

Over-60s, beginners welcome.

Tues, 10.30am-12pm, free.
Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
7739 7722

Salsa

For dancers of all experience. Prices vary.
Every Tues & Weds, 7.30-9.30pm.
The Urban Bar, 176 Whitechapel Road, E1.
07932 658861

Zumba Fitness classes

Open to all adults. Every Thursday from 7-8pm.
Glamis Residents' Hall, 414 Cable Street, E1.
07946 483246
ilona.charles@hotmail.co.uk

Zumba classes

Every Tues 11.15am-12.15pm. £1.
St Matthias Community Centre, 113 Poplar High St, E14.
7515 8362

Kids

Ballet for children

Every Thurs, 4pm for ages 3-5,

4.40pm for ages 6-8. Alpha Grove Community Centre Alpha Grove E14.
7538 1714

Children's dance classes

Tap, ballet and modern jazz. Thurs, 4-6pm, term-time only. £1.50. Dockland Settlements, 197 East Ferry Road, E14.
7093 3146

Dance play

For children aged 1-5. Tues, 1.45-2.45pm, £1.50 (concessions available).
Language of Dance Centre, Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
7749 1131

Deaf after school club

For ages 5-12. Mon-Fri, 4-6pm.
Tower Project, 45-55 White Horse Road, E1.
naima@towerproject.org.uk
7790 9085

Kids' creative dance classes

For ages 2-16. Tues afternoons and Sat mornings. £36 per term/£24 concs.

Chisenhale Dance Space, 64-84 Chisenhale Road, E3.
8981 6617
www.chisenhale dancespace.co.uk

Pollyanna Training Theatre

Drama and musical theatre for ages 4-16 in Wapping, E1.
7481 1911

Rhyme time

Thurs, 2-3pm.
Watney Market Library, 30-32 Watney Market, E1.
7790 4039

Young & talented?

Performing arts group for 6- to 16-year olds. Sats, 10.30am-1.30pm, term-time. Oxford House, Derbyshire Street, E2.
8556 5348

Music

Creative Unity steel band

Steel pan classes Thurs, 6.30-8.30pm. St Matthias Community Centre, 113 Poplar High Street, E14.
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Eating out, eating in

Old town hall dishes up tasty works of art

BY GORDON BLUE

THE Corner Room is tucked away amongst the other treasures accommodated in the Town Hall Hotel, host to the Viajante restaurant as well as the Viajante bar, where the cocktails are a mesmerising spectacle.

Nuno Mendes, Michelin star award-winning chef, wanted to create the feel of a neighbourhood restaurant alongside the more extraordinary Viajante, and so The Corner Room was born.

Walking down the long corridors of the former Bethnal Green Town Hall is a bit like a scene from Kubrick's film *The Shining*, and all part of the experience.

The room itself is simply decorated with a feature made of various different sized pendant lights at the back.

The dimensions are definitely cosy, and make things feel rather special and private at the same time.

My dining partner's starter of

aged pumpkin and port with stracciatella and sage was sublime.

The pumpkin was fleshy and deep in flavours of butternut squash and a tang of vanilla.

The port, alongside the milkiness of the mozzarella, created a symphony for the senses.

I plumped for the cuttlefish with salt baked potatoes. I've never heard of cuttlefish being eaten, except by cockatoos in cages, so I couldn't resist.

It was like squid but sweeter and lifted with paprika, and the potatoes rounded off this perfect dish.

Both starters looked like works of art and I was getting a little worried about whether I'd be hungry at the end of the extravaganza.

For mains I had the aged beef with yolk and ash. Yes, I said with yolk and ash! It was good though, you'll have to trust me on this one.

My companion plumped for iberico pork, which she said was the best she'd ever tasted, alongside more crazy accompaniments such as yeast and



The Corner Room, recommended as a special treat

leaves. Still, we were overwhelmed and we will never forget such an infusion of flavours.

Alongside a stunning semillon chardonnay, we were sated and forewent pudding, even though such combinations as apple and hazelnut with frozen pannacotta and butternut squash with smoked coconut sounded amazing.

I would recommend this restaurant as a special treat for the brave who are looking to

expand their gastronomic horizons. I didn't leave hungry either.

Two ate two courses partnered with a glass of wine each for just under £70 including water and service.

Lunchtime offer of two courses for £19 or three courses for £23 would make a rather special weekend treat.

The Corner Room is in The Town Hall Hotel, Patriot Square, E2. Tel: 7871 0460.

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Chunky roast tomato, pepper and aubergine pasta – serves 2

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1 aubergine, cut into small cubes	2 cloves garlic, chopped
1 red pepper, sliced	150g wholewheat pasta
Half a red onion, sliced	A few fresh basil leaves, torn

Method

1. Preheat oven to 220°C/430°F/Gas Mark 7.
2. Skin the tomatoes by placing them in a bowl of boiling water for one minute, then drain.
3. Let the tomatoes cool and peel off the skins. Slice them in half and place in a roasting tin with the chopped aubergine, red pepper and onion. Drizzle with olive oil and sprinkle with chopped garlic. Place in the oven for 40 minutes.

4. When the vegetables have 10 minutes of cooking time left, bring a pan of water to the boil and cook the pasta.
5. Place the cooked vegetables in a small pan and heat gently to combine into a sauce.
6. Top the cooked pasta with the sauce, and sprinkle with the torn basil leaves.
7. Try adding a handful of stoned olives at the end of the cooking time for extra Italian flavour.

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In charge of council homes

Tower Hamlets Community Housing was formed in March 2000 with the transfer of 1,249 homes owned by Tower Hamlets Council. Further homes were transferred in 2004 and 2006.

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New homes plan

Work on a new development of 399 homes for sale and social rent on the New Union Wharf Estate starts soon.

SEE BELOW

Property

Homes transfer to TH Community Housing

BY JESSICA ODUBAYO

HOMES in Shadwell and Wapping run by a small housing association have been transferred to Tower Hamlets Community Housing (THCH).

The transfer of the 54 homes, previously managed by Mitali Housing Association, was formalised on April 22 after consultation with residents.

They selected THCH and, following months of discussions and approval from the council and the Homes &

Communities Agency, the transfer went ahead last week.

THCH's chief executive Mike Tyrrell said: "This transfer is a perfect fit for both THCH and residents of Mitali HA. I hope our new residents will benefit from the services we provide and our ties with the community."

Enayet Sarwar, chair of Mitali HA, added: "We believe THCH can offer a local housing service, staff who speak Sylheti, many other services apart from housing to support residents, and a commitment and ability to build new

affordable homes in Tower Hamlets."

All the properties are in the Shadwell and Wapping areas and will be managed by the THCH office in Bigland Street, Shadwell.

As part of the transfer, a Mitali fund committee has been created which will provide grants for residents to encourage employment, education and community cohesion.

Grants will be available only to transferring tenants for three years, before being opened up to all THCH households.



East Thames picked to redevelop estate

THE regeneration of an Isle of Dogs estate has moved to the next stage, following the appointment of a development partner.

Housing association East Thames, with input from residents, has selected Hill Partnerships to carry out work on New Union Wharf estate.

The regeneration scheme, which received planning approval in January, will feature 399 new homes, ranging from one to four bedrooms, which will be available for social rent, shared own-

ership, and outright sale. The homes will all have spacious outdoor areas including gardens and balconies, and will be constructed with modern energy saving features.

Andy Hill, chief executive at Hill, said: "Having the support of residents means a lot to us and we will work hard to make sure we engage with the community to make this project a success."

Demolition at New Union Wharf, which was built in the 1970s, will start this summer with the first new homes due for completion in early 2015.



TOWER Hamlets Community Housing (THCH) treated around 100 residents and guests to a fish and chip lunch at a St George's Day party last Tuesday. Held at the Tarling East Community Centre in Shadwell, there was a special appearance by Kearsley Brass Band from Bolton in Lancashire. The band was invited after contacts were made

during a staff swap project between THCH and Lancashire based housing provider Bolton at Home. THCH's senior community housing officer Shamim Hossain said: "The band were great and we hope all who came along today had a great time."

Lola Smith and Vera Cummings are pictured waving their St George's flags.

Grand Designs can help 'build your own' dream

GRAND Designs Live returns to Docklands next week – and this year coincides with the launch of the first ever National Self Build Week.

As hopes of ever owning a home fade for many young people, there has been growing interest in 'building your own'.

Several groups are understood to have expressed an interest in the possibility of including 'custom build' homes on the Olympic Park in recent weeks, during a survey by the London Legacy Development Corporation.

And a recent poll by the National Self Build Association suggested that up to a million people have

moved from researching how to build a home for themselves and were currently in the process of acquiring a plot, obtaining planning permission or expecting to start construction within 12 months.

National Self Build Week will launch at the ExCel centre with Grand Designs Live on Saturday, May 4 and will include

a debate – Self Build Gets Real – between TV presenter Kevin McCloud, housing minister Mark Prisk and a panel of experts at 1pm.

Mr McCloud said: "One of the key aims of the week is to help would-be self builders climb the learning curve so they really can turn their projects from a dream to a reality."

"The options out there, from full-on self-build to custom-build and even self-finish homes make it possible for nigh-on everybody."

National Self Build Week is supported by the Department for Communities and Local Government.

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Waxaan kaliya oo aan la xidhiidhnaa dadka aanu guryo ugu deeqayno. Guryo bixintu waxa lagu gaadhaa habka mudnaanta loo kala leeyahay ee ku salaysan nidaamka guryo kiraynta. Nuqul ka mid ah nidaamkan waxaad nagaga heli kartaa adigoo la soo xidhiidha telefanka 020 7364 2826 ama cinwaanka internetka

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我們只能聯絡那些我們可以提供房屋的人士。我們根據租屋政策按優先次序提供房屋。欲索取這份政策，請致電我們，號碼 020 7364 2826，或瀏覽網站。

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website: www.towerhamlets.gov.uk

Support Charges apply to **all Sheltered homes for the Over 60's**. This will be covered by Supporting People Subsidy **if you are entitled to Housing Benefit or other benefits**. Subsidy is also available for individuals not in receipt of benefit in some cases. If you need information about financial help, please contact the Lettings Team on 020 7364 0204/0206 or ask for a copy of our leaflet 'Support Charges in long term Supporting People Services'. This is also available on our website www.towerhamlets.gov.uk.

Further information on homes advertised is available at One Stop Shops & Neighbourhood Housing Offices

Key for Accessible Housing Register

Some people require a home that is accessible. These homes are coded as follows:

Category	Description
A Wheelchair Accessible	Purpose built to meet most recent wheelchair housing standards
B Partially Wheelchair Accessible	Designed to older wheelchair housing standards
C Life time Homes	Specifically designed to create an accessible and adaptable home
D Easy Access	Designed to be spacious with no steps to the property
E Step-free	General housing with no steps to the property
F General Housing	Does not meet requirements for other categories
G Not assessed	Property not yet had access survey

Vulnerable applicants who need help and information regarding their housing application and with finding suitable accessible and/or adapted homes, contact the Lettings Client Support Team on 020 7364 0204 / 0206 / 0209.



1. Internet Bidding
Just log on to www.thhs.org.uk



2. Telephone Bidding
Simply call 0845 270 2400

Permit Transfer Scheme: for residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes

The Mayor of Tower Hamlets introduced the new Permit Transfer Scheme (PTS) to operate from 5 September 2011 to help to reduce the levels of overcrowding in social rented housing in the borough. The PTS helps some families move to larger social rented car free homes by allowing them to retain one on-street resident car parking permit, subject to the PTS criteria as outlined below being met. The PTS is a change in the operation of the Council's existing on-street Residents' Parking Permit Scheme.

CAR FREE HOMES No on-street residents' parking permits issued

The Council's 'car free homes' planning policy was introduced in Tower Hamlets in the late 1990s to help reduce traffic congestion and better manage the limited supply of on-street parking spaces. This initiative also helps to reduce the level of air pollution from motor vehicles and encourages more people to walk, cycle and go by public transport.

The Transport for London (TfL) Cycle Hire scheme (www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling) and local pay-as-you-go car clubs (www.carplus.org.uk) are also now available in Tower Hamlets to help you get around in healthier, greener ways.

If you live in a car free home, you will not be able to apply for on-street residents' car parking permits, unless you hold a disabled driver's blue badge or are eligible under the Permit



















Transfer Scheme (PTS), which is targeted at social rented housing residents. The criteria for the PTS is as follows:

1. applies to residents moving to 3 bedroom or larger social rented car free homes;
2. only one on-street resident parking permit per household is permitted;
3. you must have held your on-street car parking permit for at least 1 year prior to moving home;
4. your on-street parking permit must be renewed and **not lapse to remain eligible** under the scheme;
5. the tenant is responsible for providing proof of PTS eligibility to Parking Services (including a duly signed and dated Tower Hamlets Homes or housing association approved tenancy agreement); and

6. the PTS was introduced on (and operates from) 5 September 2011 by Tower Hamlets Council and **is not retrospective**.

Residents in car free homes can apply for a temporary parking permit for visiting trades people for £5 a day. To qualify, written proof of the work to be carried out must be provided, along with the vehicle's details. Each home can apply for a maximum of 20 one-day-permits within a 6 month period.

Alternatively, scratchcards are available for trades people and visitors, providing parking for up to five hours on weekdays and all day on weekends. Households can apply for up to 3 books of 10 scratchcards per year. For permit charges and information, visit www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/parking

 <p>OVER 60's Accessible Category F ARGOS HOUSE, OLD BETHNAL GREEN ROAD, E2 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Min Client Age 60</p> <p>£123.90, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing Property Ref: 26892</p>	 <p>SHELTERED Accessible Category G GAWTHORNE COURT, MOSTYN GROVE, E3 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Wet room (walk in shower) • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Min Client Age 60</p> <p>£135.23, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: OLD FORD HA Property Ref: 26889</p>	 <p>SHELTERED Accessible Category D APIAN COURT, PARNELL ROAD, E3 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Min Client Age 60</p> <p>£172.48, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Gateway Housing Association Property Ref: 26888</p>	 <p>SHELTERED Accessible Category D RUTH COURT, MEDWAY ROAD, E3 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Open plan kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>Eligibility : Min Client Age 60</p> <p>£178.45, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Gateway Housing Association Property Ref: 26887</p>	 <p>1 BEDROOM Accessible Category F HARKNESS HOUSE, CHRISTIAN STREET, E1 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£117.68, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26875</p>
 <p>1 BEDROOM Accessible Category F VICTORIA COTTAGES, E1 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£94.62, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26873</p>	 <p>1 BEDROOM Accessible Category F BARLEYCORN WAY, E14 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£113.08, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26900</p>	 <p>1 BEDROOM Accessible Category F SOULDING HOUSE, MELLISH STREET, E14 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Private garden • Check parking on viewing • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£121.77, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: One Housing Group Property Ref: 26905</p>	 <p>1 BEDROOM Accessible Category E JAMES MIDDLETON HOUSE, MIDDLETON STREET, E2 Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£102.85, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26903</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F LATHAM HOUSE, CHUDLEIGH STREET, E1 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Kitchen diner • Two lifts • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted • Concierge/CCTV</p> <p>£129.48, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26901</p>
<p>sorry no picture available</p> <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category G COMMERCIAL ROAD, E1 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£112.00, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Community Housing Property Ref: 26894</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F SHADWELL GARDENS, CABLE STREET, E1 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£111.01, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26902</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F DENNING POINT, COMMERCIAL STREET, E1 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 16th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Property is in congestion zone • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£126.34, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: EastendHomes Property Ref: 26879</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F HATTON HOUSE, HINDMARSH CLOSE, E1 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 11th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£140.20, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: EastendHomes Property Ref: 26886</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F FINWHALE HOUSE, GLENGALL GROVE, E14 Maisonette • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Kitchen diner • No Lift • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted • Stairlift</p> <p>£124.07, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: One Housing Group Property Ref: 26897</p>
 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F STUDLAND HOUSE, ASTON STREET, E14 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 8th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£142.51, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26876</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F FORBER HOUSE, CORNWALL AVENUE, E2 Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£125.08, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Affinity Sutton Property Ref: 26874</p>	<p>sorry no picture available</p> <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F BROCKWEIR, CYPRUS STREET, E2 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 5th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • Electric radiators • No garden • Pets not permitted</p> <p>£116.04, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Southern Housing Group Property Ref: 26893</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category E JAMES HAMMETT HOUSE, RAVENSCROFT STREET, E2 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • Two lifts • Bathroom with W/C • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted</p> <p>£114.98, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council Property Ref: 26880</p>	 <p>2 BEDROOMS Accessible Category F BERKELEY HOUSE, WELLINGTON WAY, E3 Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and W/C • Electric storage heater • No garden • Pets not permitted • Children must be 10 years & over</p> <p>£138.31, Weekly - Social Rent Landlord: EastendHomes Property Ref: 26883</p>



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
BERKELEY HOUSE, WELLINGTON WAY, E3
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 9th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and WC • Electric storage heater • No garden • Pets not permitted
Children must be 10 years & over

E137.14, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 26898



2 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
GRAFTON HOUSE, WELLINGTON WAY, E3
Flat • 2 Bed 4 Person • 10th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and WC • Electric storage heater • No garden • Pets not permitted
Children must be 10 years & over

E137.14, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 26882



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category E
CHUDLEIGH STREET, E1
Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and WC • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

Eligibility - Transfer List

E132.95, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 26899

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no picture available

3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
SMITHFIELD COURT, CABLE STREET, E1
Maisonette • 3 Bed 5 Person • 3rd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and WC • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

E137.63, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: EastendHomes

Property Ref: 26896



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category G
TEVIOT STREET, E14
Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Separate Bathroom and WC • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

E152.97, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26891



3 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category F
NORTHLEIGH HOUSE, POWIS ROAD, E3
Flat • 3 Bed 5 Person • 4th floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Separate Bathroom and WC • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

E149.75, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26877



5 BEDROOMS
Accessible Category E
BURNHAM ESTATE, GLOBE ROAD, E2
Flat • 5 Bed 7 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with WC • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted
Property has a ceiling hoist and shower over bath with shower stretcher

E145.60, Weekly - Social Rent
Landlord: Tower Hamlets Council

Property Ref: 26890

AFFORDABLE RENT PROPERTIES



Accessible Category G
UMBERSTON STREET, E1
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with WC • GCH • No garden • Car free home • Pets not permitted
FIXED TERM TENANCY

E158.00, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: One Housing Group

Property Ref: 26867



Accessible Category F
BURGHAM STREET, E14
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with WC • GCH • No garden • Permit parking • Pets permitted

Eligibility - Min Client Age 50

E171.23, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26904



Accessible Category F
KERBEY STREET, E14
Maisonette • 2 Bed 4 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and WC • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

E178.55, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26881



Accessible Category F
STANLEY HOUSE, SARACEN STREET, E14
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 1st floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with WC • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

E161.54, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26869



Accessible Category F
KILDARE WALK, E14
Maisonette • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Separate Bathroom and WC • GCH • No garden • Pets permitted

E178.93, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26971



Accessible Category F
FARRANCE STREET, E14
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with WC • GCH • Private garden • Pets permitted

E162.07, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Poplar HARCA

Property Ref: 26870



Accessible Category F
FORBER HOUSE, CORNWALL AVENUE, E2
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with WC • GCH • Shared garden • Pets not permitted

FIXED TERM TENANCY

E181.33, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Affinity Sutton

Property Ref: 26878



Accessible Category F
OLLERTON GREEN, E3
Maisonette • 3 Bed 6 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with WC • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted

FIXED TERM TENANCY

E210.13, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: OLD FORD HA

Property Ref: 26872



Accessible Category G
ERMINE HOUSE, PARNELL ROAD, E3
Flat • 2 Bed 3 Person • 2nd floor • Separate kitchen • One lift • Entryphone • Bathroom with WC • GCH • No garden • Pets not permitted

FIXED TERM TENANCY

E196.89, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: OLD FORD HA

Property Ref: 26895



Accessible Category G
PANCRAS WAY, E3
House • 3 Bed 6 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with WC and Additional WC • GCH • No garden • Garage • Pets permitted

E218.76, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: Guinness South

Property Ref: 26864



Accessible Category F
STRAHAN ROAD, E3
Flat • 1 Bed 2 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with WC • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted

FIXED TERM TENANCY

E150.84, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: OLD FORD HA

Property Ref: 26885



Accessible Category F
CADOGAN TERRACE, E9
House • 3 Bed 6 Person • Ground Floor • Separate kitchen • No Lift • Bathroom with WC • GCH • Private garden • Pets not permitted

FIXED TERM TENANCY

E210.17, Weekly - Affordable Rent
Landlord: OLD FORD HA

Property Ref: 26868

Changes to Government policy mean that Housing Associations have been forced to charge higher rents on some properties. In addition not all tenancies will be tenancies for life.

PLEASE NOTE THE RENT LEVEL AND LENGTH OF TENANCY OFFERED ON THE FOLLOWING HOMES. YOU ARE ADVISED TO CHECK THE HOMESEEKERS WEBSITE AT www.thhs.org.uk FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

Health Assessments

Every year we receive many housing transfer applications based on medical needs, i.e. cases where residents wish to move to another property because of their medical problems and consider their current home to be unsuitable.

In order to assess each medical case correctly, all medical applications are assessed by independent health advisors. Once the health advisor has assessed the case they will notify us of their recommendation which will be considered by the lettings team. We will inform the applicant of the decision, if a medical priority has been awarded.

We have published examples of cases where a medical priority has been awarded and some where a medical application has been refused. This will give you a better understanding of the type of medical applications we receive and how they are assessed.

Referrals of applications for a health priority 1 October 2012 – 31 December 2012

Number of assessments at all stages %

Initial assessments	440	85%
1st stage appeals	63	12%
2nd stage appeals	16	3%
Total	519	100%

Results of initial assessments %

Initial assessments	440	100%
Emergency	2	0%
Extenuating	25	6%
No award	224	51%
Rejected	4	1%
Cancelled	75	17%
Still outstanding	110	25%

Results of 1st stage appeals %

1st stage appeals	63	100%
Up to emergency	0	0%
Up to extenuating	7	11%
No change	25	40%
Down to extenuating	0	0%
Down to no priority	0	0%
Withdrawn	0	0%
Still outstanding	31	49%

Results of 2nd stage appeals %

2nd stage appeals	16	100%
Up to emergency	0	0%
Up to extenuating	0	0%
No change	2	12.5%
Down to extenuating	0	0%
Down to no priority	0	0%
Withdrawn	0	0%
Still outstanding	14	87.5%

Cases yet to be assessed
include ones where we are waiting for information.

Cases that have been cancelled
are where there has been a change in the applicant's circumstances so they no longer require a medical assessment.

Still outstanding includes requested 3rd party information.

Total number of assessments and awards %

Total combined assessments	519	100%
Emergency	2	0.39%
Extenuating	32	6%

Referrals of applications for a health priority 1 April 2012 - 31 March 2013

Number of assessments at all stages %

Initial assessments	1817	84%
1st stage appeals	277	13%
2nd stage appeals	64	3%
Total	2158	100%

Results of initial assessments %

Initial assessments	1817	100%
Emergency	3	0.2%
Extenuating	201	11%
No award	1005	55%
Rejected	14	0.8%
Cancelled	375	21%
Still outstanding	219	12%

Results of 1st stage appeals %

1st stage appeals	277	100%
Up to emergency	0	0%
Up to extenuating	45	16%
No change	173	63%
Down to extenuating	0	0%
Down to no priority	0	0%
Withdrawn	0	0%
Still outstanding	59	21%

Results of 2nd stage appeals %

2nd stage appeals	64	100%
Up to emergency	0	0%
Up to extenuating	4	6%
No change	39	61%
Down to extenuating	0	0%
Down to no priority	0	0%
Withdrawn	0	0%
Still outstanding	21	33%

Cases yet to be assessed
include ones where we are waiting for information.

Cases that have been cancelled
are where there has been a change in the applicant's circumstances so they no longer require a medical assessment.

Still outstanding includes requested 3rd party information.

Total number of assessments and awards %

Total combined assessments	2158	100%
Emergency	3	0.1%
Extenuating	250	12%

Case Types

We have given some examples of cases where a health assessment has taken place to give you an idea of how a priority may be awarded. We keep in mind the nature of the health problem and whether the home they live in is suitable.

REJECTED

Applicant recently had a caesarean section.

This is a common operation for which full recovery is expected. It is not a long term substantial illness or disability. The applicants housing would not be a factor so we would not consider it for an assessment.

Applicant's asthma is made worse by other family members cigarette smoke

This is a lifestyle rather than a medical issue. The applicant will suffer from asthma wherever they live and unless the family members stop smoking in the home it will continue to be an issue. We would not consider this for an assessment.

NO PRIORITY

Applicant complaining of back pain. Currently lives in a 2 bed, 3rd floor flat with 2 children under 10.

An OT (occupational therapist) assessment took place. The flat is served by a lift and is on one level with no internal stairs. Therefore the flat is deemed as suitable and no priority is awarded.

Applicant has asthma. Currently lives in a 3 bed, 3rd floor un-lifted flat with spouse and 4 children.

The evidence provided gave the medication the applicant was on and the doctor who assessed the case felt that the Asthma is currently well controlled. There are no reasons why the applicant cannot manage the stairs. Therefore no priority is awarded.

Applicant in 30s diagnosed with arthritis. Current home is a 2 bed 1st floor flat.

An OT assessment took place. The applicant was able to get into their own home and move around it unassisted. Therefore no priority was awarded.

Applicant claims to suffer from recurrent chest infections. Current home is a 1 bed, 4th floor lifted flat.

Current illness is relatively minor in nature and is treated by standard medication. They have a lift. Therefore no priority is awarded.

EXTENUATING

Applicant is in their late 50s and suffering from severe osteo-arthritis. Current home is on the ground floor with four steps to the front door.

This illness is long term and getting around will get harder with time. They cannot manage the four steps so cannot get in or out of the home. A home with no steps inside or outside is needed. It does not have to be ground floor provided there is a lift. Therefore extenuating priority is awarded.

10 year old child with congenital heart defect and epilepsy. Currently resides with his parents in his grandparent's house. The house is overcrowded to the extent that there is no room for essential medical equipment.

Space is required for the medical equipment for this illness which is severe and long term. The house is not suitable and so extenuating priority is awarded.

4 year old child with cerebral palsy. Currently lives in a two bed flat with parents and 2 siblings.

An OT assessment took place. They confirmed that the current home cannot be adapted. Therefore the home is not suitable for the child and extenuating priority is awarded.

Mother of 40 shares bedroom with daughter. One son. She has enduring mental health problems, including bi-polar disorder. Currently lives in 2 bed home.

The nature of her mental illness is such that she needs her own bedroom and the overcrowding would affect her mental state. The home is unsuitable because they need an extra bedroom therefore extenuating priority is awarded.

EMERGENCY

Applicant in their 30s has undergone below-knee amputation because of bone tumour and is currently undergoing chemotherapy. Family home is an un lifted maisonette above the ground floor, with bathroom and toilet upstairs.

Applicant cannot get upstairs so the hospital will not be able to release them as the home is unsuitable. Therefore emergency priority is awarded.

Applicant in their mid 20s has inoperable cancer, currently undergoing radical radiotherapy with care from a known hospice. Current home is on the 3rd floor and un-lifted.

The hospice cannot release them as the home is unsuitable and emergency priority is awarded.

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InComE contact details

For more information or to register contact the InComE team

Telephone	020 8996 8871
Freephone	0800 9170839
Email	income.project@sbhg.co.uk
Web	www.sbhg.co.uk/income

How do you qualify?

- > Are you 18 or over?
- > Living in overcrowded social housing?
- > Are you eager to train or study or are you currently a student?
- > Are you looking for work or are you already working?

InComE work with a number of boroughs - to see if you are eligible, please don't hesitate to contact the InComE team or check our website

We can help you with:

- > Moving into your new accommodation
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Full time/permanent

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Hermitage is a school that puts the needs of the children at the heart of everything it does. We are looking for a learning support assistant to work with children who have special educational needs. You must be able to support a child with autism through work in class and also through delivering personal learning programmes based on the child's needs, with support from specialists. We are particularly interested in candidates who have previous experience of working with children with special educational needs in a school setting and who will enjoy working as part of a team to achieve the highest possible standards for our pupils.

We are situated in the historic riverside location of Wapping, with good travel links via the DLR, Underground and bus.

We look forward to welcoming applicants who would like to find out more about us, and the jobs.

All details and application pack available online.

Closing date: Monday 13th May 4pm

Interviews: WB Monday 20th May

Please email applications to:
admin@hermitage.towerhamlets.sch.uk



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Vaughan Way, London E1W 2PT
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Interviews: Monday 20th May/
Tuesday 21st May 2013

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George Green's School
Manchester Road, Isle of Dogs, London E14 3DW
Tel: 020 7987 6032 Fax: 020 7538 2316
Principal: Mrs Kenny Frederick MSc

'WE ARE A GOOD SCHOOL'

Higher Level Central Support Officer
35 hours per week (term-time only)
Salary range NJC Scale 4 (18-21) £20,460-£22,422
(actual salary £17,520)

We are looking for an individual with extensive administrative skills and experience to join our successful Central Support Department.

The position would involve providing efficient and effective, higher-level administrative support across the Sixth Form.

The successful candidate will receive appropriate training but should be qualified to at least level 2 (5 A*-C or equivalent).

George Green's School is:

- a school committed to inclusion
- a multi-lingual, multi-faith & multi-cultural community
- a Full Service Extended School
- a Humanities Specialist school with English, Citizenship and Drama as the lead subjects
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Please download application packs from our school website: www.georgegreens.com

Visits prior to putting in your application are encouraged & welcomed. Please email Michele Barthram (Central Support Manager) mbarthram@georgegreens.com

Closing date: Monday, 6th May 2013 @ 9am

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Ref: CLC00430
Closing date: 06.05.2013
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Ref: DEV00302
Closing date: 12.05.2013

Senior Youth Worker £26,975 - £29,352
Communities, Localities and Culture Directorate
Ref: CLC00428
Closing date: 16.05.2013
per annum

Graduate Planning Officer £25,515 - £33,306
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Ref: DEV00306 | Temporary Fixed Term Contract
Closing date: 12.05.2013

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990, SECTIONS 10, 67 AND 73

APPLICATIONS FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT AND APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY AFFECT THE CHARACTER OR APPEARANCE OF AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A CONSERVATION AREA OR WOULD AFFECT THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

75 Commercial Road, London, E1 1RD **PA/13/00700/GMA**
Rention of internally illuminated poster unit on side elevation measuring 4.5 metres in height by 3 metres width approximately

Flat 37, St Clements House, 12 Leyden Street, London, E1 7LL **PA/13/02845/AWA**

Erection of a single storey extension to the north side of the building at 6th floor level to provide two additional bedrooms and bathrooms.

49-53 New Road, London, E1 1HH **PA/13/00361/GMA**
Retrospective application for the retention of existing air handling units and plant enclosure.

Begum Supermarket, 417 Roman Road, London, E3 5QS **PA/13/808/UQU**
Advertisement consent application for a new fascia sign with overhead through light illuminator, folding arm awning.

The Watermans Arms Public House, 1 Glenaffric Avenue, London, E14 3BW **PA/13/810/SAE**

Installation of the following signs on the building elevation:

(a) Non Illuminated 'Totem Hostel Reception Sign' measuring 475 (W) x 2000mm (H) x 50mm

(b) Non Illuminated Facility Information Board Visible measuring 3250 (W) x 1870mm (H) x 100mm (D)

30 Cannon Street Road, London, E1 0BH **PA/13/812/BEE**
Creation of additional residential flat following sub-division of existing property. Existing layout: 2 x 4 bed flats. Proposed layout: 1 x 1 bed, 1 x 2 bed and 1 x 3 bed flats.

85 - 87 New Road, London, E1 1HH **PA/13/823/AWA**
Change of use at 85 New Road from shop (A1 use class) to restaurant (A3 use class) with rear extension to provide waiting area, toilets (including one disabled) and seating for the existing restaurant at 87 New Road (No new cooking and extraction facilities required now or in the future).

East London Mail Centre, 180-206 Whitechapel Road, London, E1 1AA **PA/13/00734/MCH**

Proposed 2 New AC Condensers on the Main Roof and 2 New AC Condensers on the 4th Floor flat roof.

Wiltens Music Hall, 1-4 Graces Alley, London **PA/13/825 & 826/AWA**
Full Planning Permission & Listed Building Consent for repairs to the front facade (Graces Alley), New Fire Escape Staircase at the back of 'House No. 4', Air Handling unit concealed behind parapet on roof of 'House No. 1', Replacement of modern roof coverings, Installation of roof lights and Replacement of back wall to 'House No. 1', as well as Internal repairs and alterations.

11 Princelet Street, London, E1 6QH **PA/13/715/KHA**
Excavation of basement of existing architectural studio to give additional storage space and a new meeting room with glazed pivot doors to courtyard. Creation of new courtyard at lower level. Removal of timber framed window to existing house and replacement with glazed timber framed door to provide access to new courtyard.

Ekol Food Centre 161 Bethnal Green Road, London, E2 7DG **PA/13/00814/MCH**
Proposed two fascia signs with internally illuminated lighted letters on front and side elevations.

Flat 1, The Blue House, 30 Calvin Street, London, E1 6NW **PA/13/00820/MCH**
Erection of single storey side extension

54 Redchurch Street, London, E2 7DP **PA/13/762/SHT**
Additional use class A1 (shops), A2 (financial and professional services), and B1 (office) to existing B2 use

The Watermans Arms Public House, 1 Glenaffric Avenue, London, E14 3BW **PA/13/585/AE**

Blocking up of 2no. windows & 1no. door overlooking adjoining property. Alteration of existing projecting eaves details and new parapet detail to be created.

The following are householder applications and in the event of an appeal against a refusal of planning permission, which is to be dealt with on the basis of representations in writing, any representations made about these applications will be sent to the secretary of state, and there will be no further opportunity to comment at appeal stage.

78 Ellesmere Road, London, E3 5QX
Rear extension at basement level

PA/13/00793/LAB

85 Bow Road, London, E3 2AN **PA/13/00779 & PA/13/00780/PLA**
Internal and external refurbishment and alteration works including: general repairs, installation of rooflights, replacement of front boundary wall with railings and installation of railings to the side boundary, reroofing, infilling of windows at rear, demolition of outbuilding, replacement of kitchen window with glazed door, installation of glazed lightwell cover.

35 Morgan Street, London, E3 5AA **PA/13/725/BEE**
Erection of a mansard roof extension and a lower ground floor extension to the rear of the existing property.

Copies of the applications and plans may be inspected between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday at the Planning Department, Mulberry Place, Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG. The information will also be available on the Council's web site at www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. If you respond by email, please tell us your postal address.

Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 21 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated: 22nd April 2013

OWEN WHALLEY
HEAD OF PLANNING AND BUILDING CONTROL



Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

THE GAMBLING ACT 2005 (LICENSING AUTHORITY POLICY STATEMENT) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2006

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets having consulted with the responsible authorities and interested parties have revised the Statement of Gambling Policy.

The revised Statement of Gambling Policy can be inspected in the Councils internet at:

http://www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/lgs/1101-150/1134_gambling_act_2005.aspx

Or at any Idea Store/Library within the Borough at:

- Bow Idea Store, 1 Gladstone Place, Roman Road, E3
- Canary Wharf Idea Store, Churchill Place, E14
- Chrisp Street Idea Store, 1 Vesey Path, East India Dock Road, E14
- Whitechapel Idea Store, 321 Whitechapel Road, E1
- Cubitt Town Library, Strattondale Street, E14
- Bethnal Green Library, Cambridge Heath Road, E2
- Watney Market Idea Store, Watney Market, E1 (from 14th May 2013)

The revised Statement of Gambling Policy will be published on the 29th April 2013 and will come into effect on the 27th May 2013.

The Licensing Section Consumer and Business Regulations

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

MAJOR APPLICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 13(4)) OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 2010 AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT APPLICATIONS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS IS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

Site At Former 5 To 10, Corbridge Crescent, London PA/13/479/PL
Part 2, part 1 storey studio / workshops (Use Class B1) with ancillary cafe/gallery (Use Class A3 / D1) forming a temporary development of 30 reconditioned shipping containers for the period of five years.

1 Muirfield Crescent and 47 Millharbour, London, E14 9SZ PA/13/803/TIR
Change of use from business (Use Class B1) to data centre (Use Class B8) and refurbishment of Archway House to include two additional floors of data centre use with associated plant.

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Any person who wishes to make representations relating to any of these applications should do so, in writing, within a period of 14 days from the date of publication of this notice to the Development Control Manager at the above address.

Dated 29th April 2013

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Public notices

LICENSING ACT 2003

PREMISES LICENCE OR CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE

We, Lovebox Festivals Ltd have applied to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets Licensing Authority on 23rd April 2013.

For a Premises Licence for the following premises at: Lovebox 2013, Victoria Park, London, E9.

For the following licensable activities:

Date	Regulated Entertainment (Live music, recorded music, making music, dance, film)	Supply of Alcohol (On Sales)
Friday 19th July	14:00 – 23:00	14:00 – 22:45
Saturday 20th July	12:00 – 23:00	12:00 – 22:45
Sunday 21st July	12:00 – 22:30	12:00 – 22:15

Record of this application can be inspected at: The Licensing Department, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Mulberry Place (AH), PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 1BY, during normal working hours.

Any interested party may make representation to the licensing authority no later than 21st May 2013.

Representation must be made in writing to The Licensing Department, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Mulberry Place (AH), PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 1BY. It is an offence under Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003 to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for that offence shall not exceed level 5 on the standard scale (£5000).

To place your public notice here, call...

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DISPERSAL ZONE

DISPERSAL ZONE AUTHORISATION NOTICE: WHITECHAPEL, LONDON E1

In compliance with S.31(3) Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003

The Metropolitan Police & Tower Hamlets Council have targeted action to help you and your community remove intimidation and anti-social behaviour from your neighbourhood by implementing a dispersal notice in this area on your behalf. The dispersal zone is in operation from **00:01 on 06 May 2013 to 11:59 on 03 November 2013** covering the area shown below, which is identified as an area subject to significant problems relating to anti-social behaviour.

North Border: Bethnal Green Road

West Border(s): Commercial Street and Borough boundary with Hackney (between Quaker Street and Bethnal Green Road)

East Border: Brady Street leading to Wilmot Street

South Border: Whitechapel Road



What is a dispersal notice?

A dispersal notice alerts people that the specified area is a dispersal zone. A dispersal zone is intended to protect you and your families, and to make the area you live in a safer place for everyone.

What is a dispersal zone?

In a dispersal zone; if a Police Officer or PCSO has reasonable grounds for believing that the presence of two or more persons in a public place has resulted (or is likely to result) in any members of the public being intimidated, harassed, alarmed or distressed, the officer may direct the persons in that group to (a) disperse, (b) leave the dispersal zone, and (c) not to re-enter the dispersal zone for a period not exceeding 24 hours.

Also, between the hours of 9pm to 6am, a Police Officer or PCSO finding someone they believe to be under 16 and not under the effective control of a parent (or responsible person aged 18 or over), may remove that person to their place of residence. [S.30(3)-(4), (6) Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003]

Anyone refusing to follow the directions given by a Police Officer or PCSO under this legislation commits an offence and may be arrested which can result in a fine of up to £2,500 or imprisonment.

[S.30(2) Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003]

The Police and local authority have taken this action to help you feel safe in your neighbourhood.

By tackling anti-social behaviour together, we can help make where you are, a better place to live.

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 16A

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC (BOISHAKHI MELA PARADE) ORDER 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets made the above-mentioned Order under section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended by Special Events Act 1994). The effect of the Order will be to prohibit vehicular traffic from proceeding in the streets listed below to enable the Boishakhi Mela Parade to be held on and adjacent to the public highway;

1. Derbyshire Street, between its junction with Bethnal Green Road and its junction with Hague Street;
2. Voss Street, between its junction with Derbyshire Street and its junction with Vallance Road;
3. Bethnal Green Road (**eastbound direction only**), between its junction with Hague Street and its junction with Cambridge Heath Road;
4. Rushmead, Wear Place, Canrobert Street, Wolverley Street, Jersey Street, Punderson Gardens, Hollybush Gardens, Hollybush Place and Paradise Row at their junctions with Bethnal Green Road;
5. Cambridge Heath Road (**northbound direction only**) between its junction with Bethnal Green Road and its junction with Old Ford Road;
6. Nant Street at its junction with Cambridge Heath Road;
7. Old Ford Road between its junction with Cambridge Heath Road and its junction with Grove Road;
8. Peel Grove, Globe Road, Approach Road, Cyprus Place, Cyprus Street, Bonner Road, Bonner Street, Type Street and Sewardstone Street at their junctions with Old Ford Road;
9. Grove Road, between its junction Old Ford Road and its junction with Wetherell Road;
10. Bethnal Green Road, Cambridge Heath Road, Old Ford Road and Grove Road will be closed only during the procession.

Throughout the duration of the Boishakhi Mela Parade;

Suspension of One-way working - the existing one-way working in Canrobert Street, between its junction with Old Bethnal Green Road and Bethnal Green Road will be temporarily suspended;

The Procession will leave from Weavers Gardens and progress via Hague Street, Bethnal Green Road, Cambridge Heath Road, Old Ford Road and Grove Road for approximately two and a half hours. Exemption has been provided in the Order for access by Police, Fire and Ambulance vehicles in an emergency, or anything done with the permission of a Police Officer.

The restrictions on vehicular traffic will operate at times when temporary traffic signs, traffic cones and traffic barriers are placed on the public highway on Sunday 12th May 2013, between 09.00 hours and 12.30 hours at nos.1 to 2 above, between 11.00 hours and 13.00 hours, at nos. 3 to 5 above and between 11.30 hours and 13.30 hours at nos. 6 to 9 above. Whilst the event is taking place, stewards will be present at some of the traffic barriers to provide access for residents and emergency services.

If you require any further details please contact Catherine Boyd, Festival and Events Officer on 0207 364 7909 or e-mail catherine.boyd@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Dated: 29th April 2013

Jamie Blake

Service Head, Public Realm

Anchorage House, 2 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BE

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

LICENCING ACT 2002

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT Spice Rack London Limited has applied to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets Licensing Authority for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003.

Premises: 166 Mile End Road, London E1 4LJ.

The licensable activities and timings are: Late night refreshments Monday to Sunday 12.00 to 02.00 hours.

Anyone who wishes to make representations regarding this application must give notice in writing to: The Licensing Section, London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Mulberry Place (AH), PO Box 55739, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 1BY. Website: www.towerhamlets.gov.uk. Tel: 020 7364 5008.

Representations must be received no later than 24th May 2013.

The Application Record and register may be viewed between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday during normal office hours at the above address.

It is an offence under Section 158 of the Licensing Act 2003, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is up to level 5 on the standard scale (£5000).

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION: REVISED DRAFT PLANNING OBLIGATIONS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

The Council has prepared a revised draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document for consultation. It explains how the Council will use planning obligations to ensure that the impacts of new development are properly mitigated if a Tower Hamlets Community Infrastructure Levy is adopted.

This document can be viewed on the Council's website: www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/cil and at the locations listed below:

Documents can be inspected at:

Tower Hamlets Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London E14 2BG
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How to make Comments

Tower Hamlets Council will be carrying out consultation between 5pm Monday 22nd April 2013 and 5pm Wednesday 5th June 2013.

Comments should be made electronically or in writing in the following ways:

Email: cil@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Post: Infrastructure Planning Team
London Borough of Tower Hamlets
Mulberry Place
PO Box 55739
5 Clove Crescent
London E14 1BY

Representations can also be made through a designated online consultation portal which is available through the website listed above.

More Information

To find out more come along to a consultation event: -

- Wednesday 1st May 2013, Chrisp Street Market Idea Store from 1PM to 6PM
- Monday 3rd June 2013, Room MP701, Town Hall, Mulberry Place from 4PM to 8PM

Alternatively, for more information contact the Council's Infrastructure Planning team on 020 7364 2343 or by email: cil@towerhamlets.gov.uk



PUBLIC CONSULTATION: COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

In accordance with Regulation 16 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) Tower Hamlets Council has published a Community Infrastructure Levy Draft Charging Schedule. This has been prepared in accordance with the CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended) and the Planning Act 2008 (as amended).

The Draft Charging Schedule and supporting documents are available for inspection on the Council's website: www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/cil and at the locations listed below:

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Submission of Representations

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Requests for the following may accompany any representation made in relation to the consultation on the above stated documents: -

- Notification of when the CIL Draft Charging Schedule has been submitted for an examination in public.
- To be heard at the CIL examination in public.
- Notification of recommendations made by an examiner at the CIL examination in public and the reasons for the recommendations made.
- Notification of approval of the CIL Charging Schedule by the Council.

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Promoting a healthy borough

The fourth Madrasah football championships, organised by the London Islamic School, Whitechapel, helped to promote Tower Hamlets as a healthy borough.

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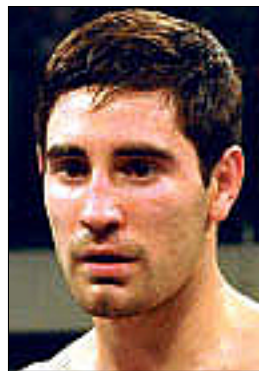
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Sport

Sport in brief

Frank's tribute to former club-mate



FORMER Repton amateur **Frank Buglioni** (above) paid a fitting tribute to ex-club mate Michael Norgrove who died following a boxing match last month.

Buglioni, in his eighth professional fight at Wembley Arena, displayed Norgrove's name on his shorts on the way to a win over Darren McKenna.

Buglioni, the rising golden boy of the super-middleweight division, maintained his unbeaten run with a technical knockout over McKenna.

The ex-Repton amateur, trained by Jimmy and Mark Tibbs at the TRAD TKO gym, made it eight wins in succession when McKenna was counted out in the third round.

This win puts Buglioni a step nearer a title fight and the fighter and part-time model is so far backing up the rave reviews that have followed him since his amateur career.

Under Tony Burns at Bethnal Green's Repton club, Buglioni won two national titles and his all-action style was always going to appeal to the fans.

But after an amateur career consisting of 60 fights and 50 wins – half coming via the knockout route – Buglioni turned professional and on current form another title looks likely to come his way.

On the same bill TRAD stable-mate **Gary Corcoran**, having his sixth professional fight, easily outpointed Mark McKay at light-welterweight.

Corcoran's combination work was always impressive and this was the eventual difference between the two fighters.

McNess title dream ends in the final

REPTON'S **Steve McNess** saw his ABA title dream shattered at the weekend when he was outpointed by Durham's Jeff Saunders in Saturday's finals in Sunderland.

McNess fought bravely, but was not at his best and allowed Saunders to dictate with counter-punching.

McNess did fight back well with some two-fisted attacks, but this was not enough against an opponent who was the better man on the day.

Table tennis duo beaten by class

TWO **Morpeth** table tennis players reached the quarter-finals of the England Schools Individuals Championship Finals.

Playing at the Dome in Doncaster, Jamie Dignum and Harriet Taylor were very unlucky to both come up against top quality opposition early on.

Jaime lost to Hugo Pang, the number two seed, who went on to finish second overall at the Championships.

His Morpeth team-mate, Harriet Taylor, also faced the number 2 seed, Nicole Finn, who also went on to lose in the overall final.

Sign up now for tag rugby league

TAG rugby is starting in East London and you can be part of this fast growing sport.

The men's and ladies summer leagues and mixed leagues started last weekend and run right through the summer.

Shoreditch Park, Hoxton and East London rugby club are just three of the local venues where you can join the action.

With many teams returning from their winter break, leagues are filling up quickly!

Team registrations are taken on a first to pay the deposit basis. Don't leave confirming your registration until the last minute or your team may miss out!

Tag Rugby shorts must be purchased before taking to the pitch for any competition. To find out more email info@trytagrugby.com



Barry Hearn

Orient tempt fans with free season tickets

Football

BARRY Hearn has announced a groundbreaking scheme giving away 1,500 Leyton Orient season tickets free to young people.

The Orient chairman, who is embroiled in a legal battle over West Ham United being announced as the sole tenants of the Olympic Stadium, will offer the tickets free to young people aged between 14 and 18, and to full-time students aged between 18 and 21.

"I'm proud to announce this initiative that I hope will be the dawning of a new era for this football club," said Hearn.

"We have had a good season this year and the foundations are in place to build on that for next season.

"Nothing beats the magic of live football with your mates when you are a teenager and I want as many people as possible to have that opportunity.

"We have a strong history of community work at this club, it's a wide-ranging, award-winning scheme, which doesn't just concentrate on football.

"We have a scheme that we're very proud of, that ranges in everything from gun crime, knife crime, to community work, drugs information and sexual diseases information."

Orient recently ran a work

shadowing scheme, with 11 East End youngsters, including Tower Hamlets' Prince Ahmed, following officials around the club as they did their duties.

Hearn also ruled out any suggestion that Orient will move away from the East End should their appeals over the Olympic Stadium decision fail.

The club has been linked with moves to Harlow or Romford.

"We come from here and we'll stay here. Some things in life are more important than money, and our history and heritage is that," he added.

For more information or to apply for a free season ticket visit www.standupfortheorient.com

London East make it a triple success story

BY TOM SHEEN

SEVEN East End schools battled it out for the fourth annual Madrasah championships at Stepney Astroturf.

Organised by the London Islamic School in Whitechapel, the tournament also marked the first time that the Bangladesh Football Association (BFA) helped with the event.

Six of the schools were from Tower Hamlets, as teams from Mazahirul Uloom London, Darul Hadis Latifah, Ibrahim Academy, Jamiatul Ummah, and London East Academy were joined by Leytonstone's Lantern of Knowledge.

Thirty children from each school were allowed to enter, as the tournament was split into the 'A' cup and the 'B' cup.

London East Academy had a great tournament, winning the Year 8 'A' Cup and Year 10 'A' and 'B' Cups, and finished runners



Winners show off their trophies and medals

up in the Year 8 'B' Cup. London Islamic School were winners of the Year 8 'B' Cup and runners-up of the Year 8 'A' Cup, while Jamiatul Ummah and Mazahirul Uloom were runners up in Year 10 'A' and 'B'.

"There is so much football talent in independent schools which sometimes goes unno-

ticed," said Arif Abdurrahman, PE teacher at London Islamic School.

"An event like this brings together all the independent schools so we can identify these prospects and refer them to local borough teams and the Sporting Bengal Academy, as well as promoting Tower

Hamlets as a healthy borough."

Aroz Miah, chairman of the BFA, added: "We are always looking for opportunities to benefit the community and the independent schools can be a hard to reach group, so we feel privileged to be official partners and aim to open doors for this group of young people."



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For reports on boxing, table tennis, football and tag rugby...

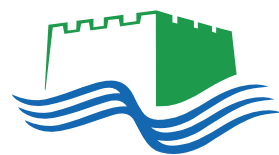
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Orient's free season ticket deal

Youngsters in Tower Hamlets could become Orient fans after club chairman Barry Hearn, left, announced a unique scheme to give away 1,500 free season tickets to young people.

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eastend sport



Former Olympic swimmer Nick Gillingham with Bethnal Green Sharks youngsters

Lessons from a Brit pool legend

Swimming

ONE of British swimming's legends visited Bethnal Green Sharks for a special seminar on how to become a world-class swimmer.

Nick Gillingham gave the Sharks squad a three-hour seminar on how to become breaststroke experts, before giving out medals to Sharks swimmers Samuel Collins, Gabriel Miltonoff, Lucas Boardman, Christelle Van Sebroek and Amy Kavanagh for making the most progress during the session.

Gillingham was one of Britain's best swimmers between the late 1980s and mid-1990s, winning numerous medals and titles.

The Walsall-born swimmer competed at three Olympic Games, between 1988 and 1996, winning a silver medal in Seoul

and a bronze in Barcelona.

Competing in the 200m breaststroke, he also tied the world record in 1989 only for it to be broken the very next day by American Mike Barrowman.

He also won a World Championship gold in 1993 and bronze medals in both the 1991 and 1993 events, as well as a total of three gold medals, one silver and one bronze in the European Championships, and one gold, two silver and four bronze in his Commonwealth Games career.

Sharks, formed 41 years ago by councillors and officers of the old Bethnal Green borough council, train at both Mile End and York Hall swimming pools every night of the week except for Saturday nights.

For more information visit www.bgssc.co.uk

Sharks will be competing in the Tower Hamlets Schools gala on Friday, June 14.

Lynx go top, but put celebrations on hold

BY TOM SHEEN

AFTER weeks of delays due to bad weather, East London Lynx sitting volleyball team have finished top of the league.

But they still can't call themselves National League champions because they must now battle it out in a four team play-off shoot-out.

The ties had been due to go ahead in March but because of the snow, travelling to Kettering was deemed too dangerous.

The Sitting Volleyball Grand Prix season takes place from September to April.

It is a fully integrated league made up of mixed teams of men and women with physically impaired people sitting alongside non-impaired players.

Teams battle it out across

the country, with the Lynx having to travel as far as Lincoln and Portsmouth.

The first match of the day was in the other semi-final between Surrey Gators and Loughborough Lions.

The Gators put in a conclusive showing to book their place in the final, beating a weakened Lions team by 3-0.

The Lynx then took to the court for their match against the Lincoln Imps.

After a slow start the Lynx found their form, running away with the first set by 25-14.

Consistent and powerful hitting by the team's captain John Munro and Nicole Hill helped the Lynx maintain their lead as they took the second set, also 25-14.

Sensing they were about to exit the competition, Imps start-

ed the third set very strongly.

However a clever tactical switch by head coach Ian Legrand, who also coaches Team GB, ensured east London came back into the match and kept their title hopes alive.

The two sides traded points to make it 22-22, but the east Londoners produced a brilliant fin-

ish to take the game 25-22 and book their place in the final.

That match against a formidably strong Gators was scheduled to take place as East End Life went to press.

John Munro, was also named as the League's Most Valuable Player in a ceremony after the semi-final.

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